**6 Q’s About the News | Winter Olympics Opening Ceremony Dazzles**

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**WHEN** did the ceremony start?

**WHY** was that start time chosen?

**WHAT** is the name of the venue where the opening ceremony was held?

**HOW**, according to the author, did the presentation bear the “modern trademark of such ceremonies”?

**HOW** does it compare with other Olympic opening ceremonies you have seen or read about?

**WHO** is the president of Russia?

**WHO** “largely financed” the expense of the Winter Games?

**WHAT** is an oligarch?

**WHAT** was the formal title given to the opening ceremony?

**WHAT** genre of music was featured?

**WHY** wasn’t much pop music included?

**WHERE** would you like to see future Olympics held?

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The article states that prior to 1980, Olympic opening ceremonies consisted of little more than the parade of teams and “a bit of kids dancing,” but compared with the Sochi opening ceremony, 1980’s was “quaint.”

**WHY** do you think opening ceremonies have become such a spectacle?

**WHAT** might they be like 30 years from now? **WHY** do you think that?