# Welcome to English Wednesday!



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# Parties (and the art of partying)



#### Why 'parties' topic?

- a) The epidemic is almost over and we are coming back to the normal life. The parties would be a huge part of celebrating.
- b) Parties are different in different parts of the world. We will speak about some parties traditions in many countries.
- c) ...parties are fun!

# One remark

# We discuss this party



#### We DON'T discuss THIS PARTY:



# Let's do some warm up activities

- 1) Split into groups.
- 2) Please, keep some distance between members of the group



# Discuss these questions:

• Have you been to a party recently? Tell us more about this party.

• Do you like parties?

• Do you sing or dance at parties? Do you play cardboard games?

• Please, tell us about 'the party of your dream'.

#### TWO TRUTHS AND A LIE

- 1) Please, take chairs and sit in groups
- 2) Tell your partners TWO TRUTHS AND A LIE about yourself.
- 3) For example:
- I like Rolling Stones.
- I like winter sports.
- I have been to Poland.
- 3) Your partners try to guess which statement is a lie.
- 4) Tell which statement is a lie.

#### Let's watch video

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Gh9WSLmrjw&list=LL&index=1&ab\_channel=RachaelRayShow

## Discuss questions in groups:

1. Would like to be a professional party organizer?

2. Have you ever decorated your home for a party?

3. Do you like some home parties or club parties? Or outdoors?

### Let's speak about new words:

Party animal – someone who enjoys parties and party activities very much and goes to as many as possible:

• Sarah's a real party animal - she likes to dance all night.



## Let's speak about new words:

<u>Party pooper</u>— someone who spoils other people's enjoyment by disapproving of or not taking part in a particular activity





to arrange and have a party



"My friends and I are throwing a party tonight and you're invited."

"She's leaving Ireland soon so we should throw a party for her."

"I can't believe you threw a party and forgot to invite me."

"Are you going to throw a party for your next birthday?"







## Discuss questions in groups:

1. Do you know some people that are party animals? Are you a party animal yourself?

2. Do you know some examples of party poopers from films/cartoons/history/comics/books?

3. Do you like to throw a party yourself?

## Types of parties:

• Theme Party: A theme party is a party that centers around a certain type of theme

 Celebrations: Some parties are held in honor of a specific person, day, or event'

• **Dinner party:** A dinner party is a formal social gathering at which people eat dinner together, usually in the host's own home.

The Game Night Party

The Dance Party

The Pizza Party

Movie Party

## Discuss questions in groups:

1. What is you favorite type of party?

2. What type of party would like to try?

3. What is the most common party type among your friends and colleagues?

"Since you get more joy out of giving joy to others, you should put a good deal of thought into the happiness that you are able to give."

—Eleanor Roosevelt

- 1. You have two packs of papers.
- 2. Take one note from the left pack and take another one from the right pack.
- 3. Read two gifts from your note and present it to your group mate on the left.
- 4. Explain to the mate why you chose those two gifts together. Find reasons and tell it as much presentable as you can.

### For example:

There two notes: 'a jar of jam' and 'hat'

You read it to a person.

Then you need to explain:

"My present to you is 'a jar of jam' and 'hat', because winters are cold here. I want you to feel warm wearing this hat on. And also you can get warm and feel warm in your stomach while eating this jam at home at night'

#### Tabooed words

Try to explain a word written on a card without SAYING IT and without saying TABOOED WORDS

#### Guess the reasons

- 1. Look at pictures or text describing some party tradition in countries around the world.
- 2. In you group, try to guess the reasons why they have this particular tradition. Or what they celebrate.
- Share with us your ideas. Try to be creative in finding reasons. It's more important than actual guessing the truth

## Decapitating the cake (Denmark)



In Denmark it is common for the birthday cake (called *Kagemand*) to be shaped and decorated to look like a man (if it's a boy's birthday) or woman (if it's a girl's birthday). After the kid has finished blowing out the candles, they cut off the head of the cake-person while all the other kids around are screaming their own heads off.



The celebration of the Thai New Year takes place in mid-April and features the most epic water fights you've ever seen. People fill the streets to literally shower one another with buckets of water and take aim at their fun-loving pals.

# The UK



Enormous crowds gather in southern England to celebrate the shortest day of the year in the Northern Hemisphere — the winter solstice — at the prehistoric monument of Stonehenge, joining local groups of pagans and druids for an ancient tradition.

# The greasy nose tradition in Canada



#### A greasy nose in Canada

A very famous tradition in Canada is the practice of nose-greasing. This is where a young boy or girl is pinned to the floor while their nose gets smeared with butter.

The reason for this is to ensure the individual is far too slippery for bad luck or negativity to get a hold of them in the next year.

Placeholder slide (I am once again...)



Thanks for coming! See you new week!