

Daily Life - Talking About Relatives (C0350)

A: What are you doing this weekend?

B: My brother in law is having a small get together at his house and he invited me.

A: Is it a family thing or just friends?

B: A bit of both. Some cousins, aunts and uncles will be there, but also some friends from the neighborhood.

A: Is your great uncle Rick going to be there? He is really funny.

B: Yeah he is going to be there with his step-son and his ex-wife.

A: You mean your sister?

B: No, Rick is actually my great uncle, so he is my grandmother's brother.

A: You lost me.

B: I'll explain later, let's go.

Key Vocabulary

brother	<i>N</i>	a male sibling
uncle	<i>N</i>	a brother of one's father or mother.
cousin	<i>N</i>	the son or daughter of an uncle or aunt.
aunt	<i>N</i>	the sister of one's father or mother.
step son	<i>N</i>	a son of one's husband or wife by a previous marriage.
ex-wife	<i>N</i>	a woman who was formerly a particular man's wife

Supplementary Vocabulary

Niece	<i>N</i>	a daughter of a person's brother or sister.
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family re-union	<i>N</i>	a gathering of relatives, friends, or associates at regular intervals or after separation
biological	<i>N</i>	Being of the same genes and blood as another family member
adopted	<i>N</i>	to take and rear (the child of other parents) as one's own child.