

MEETING XIV

Let's celebrate !

- Which of these holidays celebrate people? Which celebrate events?
- Do you celebrate these or similar holidays in your country?
- What other special days do you have? What's your favorite holiday or festival?



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New Year's
Day



Balinese New
Year (Hari
Raya Nyepi)



National
Education Day



Jakarta's
Anniversary
(Ulang Tahun
Jakarta)

Independence
Day

HOLIDAYS AND FESTIVAL IN INDONESIA

WORD POWER

Pair work. Complete the word map. Add one more word to each category. Then describe a recent celebration using some of the words.

- anniversary
- cake
- cards
- dancing
- fireworks
- flowers
- fruit punch
- parade
- party
- presents
- roast turkey
- wedding



A : I went to a friend's birthday party recently. There was live music and dancing.

B : what kind of music did they play?

GRAMMAR FOCUS; Relative Clause of Time

We use relative clauses to give extra information about something. We can get more information into a sentence without the need to start a new one.

- Thanksgiving is **a day** **when** North Americans celebrate the harvest.
- February 14 is the day **when** people give cards to the ones they love.
- New year's Eve is a night **when** I have fun with my friends.

How much do you know about these days and months?
Complete the sentences in column A with information from
column B. Then compare with a partner.

A

- 1. New Year's Day is a day when
- 2. April Fools' Day is a day when
and friends.
- 3. May and June are the months when
to get
- 4. Valentine's Day is a day when
workers.
- 5. Labor Day is a day when
- 6. February is the month when
friends.

B

- a. Brazilians celebrate Carnival
- b. people have parties with family
- c. many young adults choose
married.
- d. people in many countries honor
- e. people express their love to
someone.
- f. people sometimes play tricks on

B. Complete these sentences with your own information.
Then compare with a partner.

winter is the season

1. birthdays are days
2. Spring is the time of year
3. mother's Day is a day
4. July and August are the months
5. A wedding anniversary is a time

C. **Pair work.** Choose your three favorite holidays. Tell your partner why you like each one.

D. **Class activity.** Take a class vote. What are the most popular holidays in your class?

CONVERSATION; Wedding day

Listen and practice !

Jill : Your wedding pictures are really beautiful, Emiko.

Emiko : Thank you. Those pictures were taken right after the ceremony.

Jill : Where was the ceremony?

Emiko : At a shrine. When people get married in Japan, they sometimes have the ceremony at a shrine.

Jill : That's interesting. Were there a lot of people there?

Emiko : Well, usually only family members and close friends go to the ceremony. But afterward we had a reception with family and friends.

Jill : so, what are receptions like in Japan?

Emiko : There's a big dinner, and after the food is served, the guests give speeches or sing songs.

Jill : It sounds like fun.

Emiko : It really is. And then, before the guests leave, the bride and groom give them presents.

Jill : The guests get presents?

Emiko : Yes, and the guests give money to the bride and groom.



GRAMMAR FOCUS; Adverbial clauses of time

When people get - they sometimes have
married in Japan, the ceremony at a shrine.

After the food is the guests give speeches
served, or sing songs.

Before the guests the bride and groom give
leave, them presents.

Task

- A. What do you know about wedding customs in North America? Match these phrases with the information below.
1. Before a man and woman get married, they usually
 2. When a couple gets engaged, the man often
 3. Right after a couple gets engaged, they usually
 4. When a woman gets married, her family usually
 5. When people are invited to a wedding, they almost always
 6. Right after a couple gets married, they usually
- a. Pays for the wedding and reception
 - b. Go on a short trip called a “honeymoon.”
 - c. Give the bride and groom a gift or some money.
 - d. Gives the woman a diamond ring.
 - e. Begin to plan the wedding
 - f. “date” each other for about a year
- B. **Pair work.** What happens when people are married in your country? Complete the statement in part A with your own information.

THANK YOU

SEE YOU AGIAIN IN
THE NEXT MEETING

