

# **Planning Tips**

Let these tips, products and ideas help you create a memorable (and easy) birthday party both you and your child will enjoy!

## **Setting the Party Date and Time**

Give guests at least 3 weeks' notice on the party date and time. Don't forget to clearly state the start and end time on your invitation!

Saturday afternoons are the most popular party time, as that time works well for younger kids' nap schedules.

- For children under 3, a 1-hour party is usually long enough.
- For preschool-aged kids, 90 minutes is the ideal party length.
- For most kids, keep parties under 2 hours to keep their attention and keep them on their best behavior!

Plan the first 15 minutes for arrivals and at least 30 minutes for cake and presents!

#### **Set the Environment**

Mickey Mouse Clubhouse is about light-hearted fun – transform your party space into a playful party by including lots of bright colors of red, blue and yellow around the room!

### **Tabletop**

Your party's main event – singing "Happy Birthday" and blowing out the candles – takes place at the table. You'll also have most of your most memorable photos taken there, so be sure to include Mickey Mouse Clubhouse cups, plates, and napkins to really bring your party to life!

#### **Check List**

	Decorations	Don't Forget	t!	
	Balloo	ons	Batteries (for new toys! AAA, AA, C	and D)
	Banne	ers	Camera	
	Cente	erpiece	Candles	
	Ceilin	g Danglers	Matches/Lighter	
	Confe	etti	Cake Platter and Serving Utensils	
	Stream	mers		
	Party	Hats		
	Party Blowers/ Noisemakers			
	Signs	or Fun Decorations		
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