

# Company events

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Lower-intermediate

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English

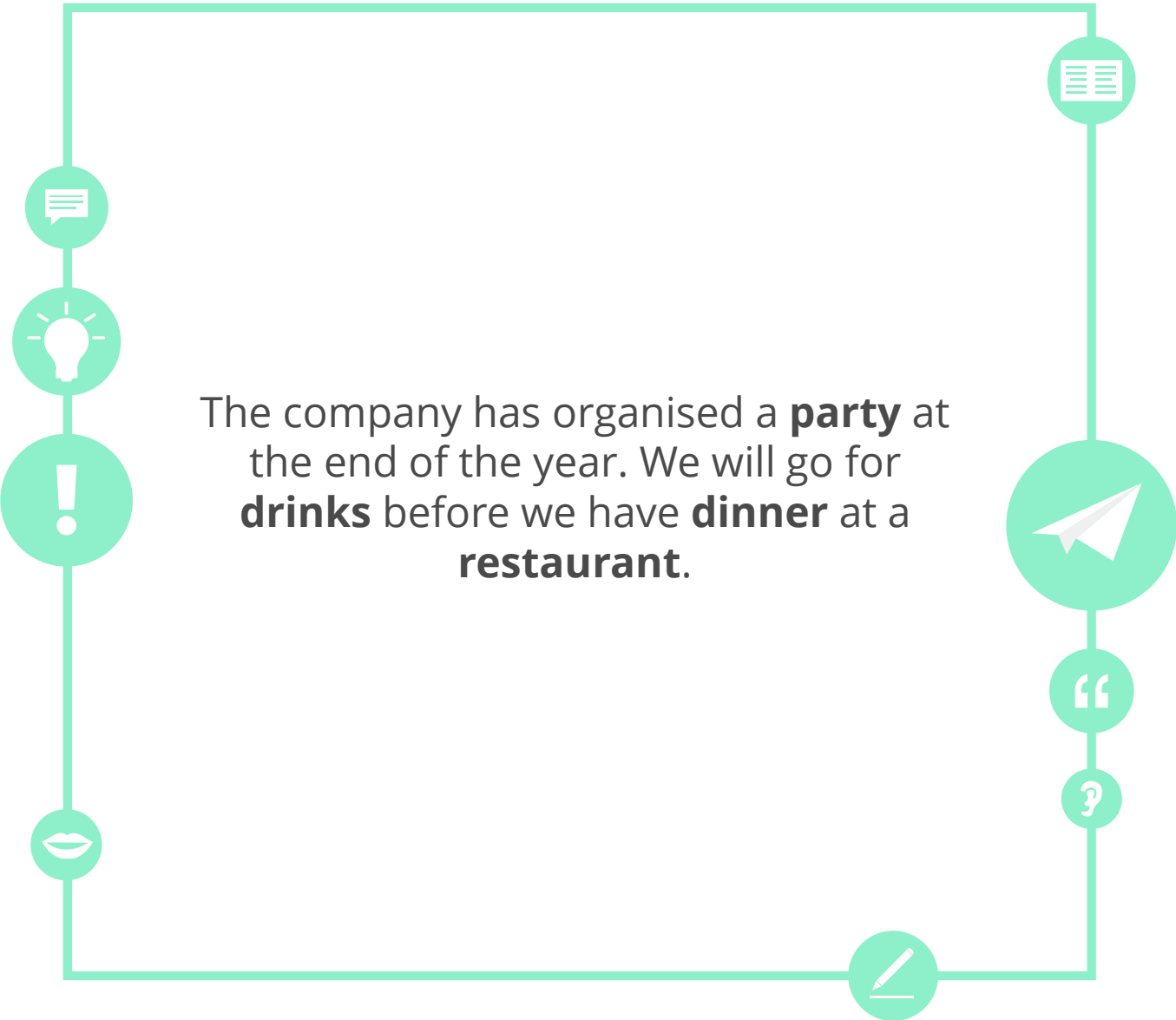




## Goals

- Can describe where an event takes place.
- Can talk about a company event to a colleague at work.





The company has organised a **party** at the end of the year. We will go for **drinks** before we have **dinner** at a **restaurant**.



## Preview and warm-up

- In this lesson you will learn how to talk about company **events** and **where** they take place.



We play **golf** as a team together every summer.



## barbecue



At a **barbecue**, you cook delicious food on a grill.

party



We can have fun with our colleagues at a **party**.



## picnic



Everyone brought sandwiches, fruit and cheese to the **picnic**.

## restaurant



I really like this **restaurant**, the food is always excellent.



## activity centre



That **activity centre** offers rock-climbing and basketball.



## New vocabulary

**golf**

I'm playing a round of **golf** with my manager this weekend!



**golf course**

A **golf course** usually has 18 holes.





## New vocabulary

drinks

They usually go for **drinks** at the end of the day.



park

That **park** is great to sit in!



bar

Do you know a smaller **bar** that is not so expensive?







## Company events



The company has paid for the food at the **barbecue** in July.

We're having a **party** to celebrate her promotion next week!



At Christmas, the boss buys us **drinks**.



## Company events



The **activity centre** has something that everyone can enjoy.

We go to a nice **restaurant** for dinner at the end of every year.



He plays **golf** but only at company events.

We will meet at the **bar** and have some **drinks** before going for dinner.





## Complete the sentences

**Complete the following sentences describing a type of social event.**

1. We cook sausages and burgers at a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. There is a great \_\_\_\_\_ over there for drinks.
3. We can have dinner at the \_\_\_\_\_ next to the office.
4. It's perfect weather for a \_\_\_\_\_ in the park!
5. At the \_\_\_\_\_ everyone can try lots of different sports.





## What event does your company organise most?

drinks?

barbecue?

golf?

party?



**Describe which events are taking place in the following pictures. Which ones would you prefer to do and why?**





## New vocabulary

**on-site**

An **on-site** event happens where the company works.



**off-site**

An **off-site** event is out of the office or where a company works.





conference



A **conference** is a large meeting about a particular topic.

exposition



Huawei presented their new mobile phone at the **exposition** in London.

dinner



The company organised the deal over **dinner** in the evening.



conference centre



This **conference centre** can hold over 500 people.

(event) space



The hotel has an **event space** on the top floor next to the lift.

## team-building



**Team-building** helps improve relationships between colleagues.



## Company events



The manager is speaking at a marketing **conference** in two weeks.

Does the company have a stall at the **exposition** next week?



She is taking the new clients out for **dinner**.





## Company events



The event is happening **on-site**, just downstairs in the meeting room.

The event is happening **off-site** so we need to leave early.



Have you booked a **space** for the **team-building** event?

The presentations and speeches will happen at the **conference centre**.





## Choose the right answer

1. The event is happening \_\_\_\_\_ so we have to book transport there.

- a. (event) space      b. off-site      c. conference      d. on- site

2. We usually have a larger stall at the \_\_\_\_\_.

- a. conference      b. park      c. conference centre      d. exposition

3. The \_\_\_\_\_ that we need for the promo event has been booked.

- a. conference centre      b. off- site      c. (event) space      d. on- site

4. The language teacher conference happens at the same \_\_\_\_\_ every year.

- a. conference centre      b. off- site      c. on- site      d. bar



## What event is more enjoyable in your opinion?

a barbecue or a  
conference?

an exposition or a  
conference?

a dinner or drinks?

playing golf or a  
picnic?



## Describe the picture

**What is happening here?**  
**Use your imagination and create a story for the event!**







## Role play

You are organising an event for your company with a colleague. Talk about what you would prefer to do and what you think other co-workers prefer to do.

I'd prefer to play golf.



I feel that going to a restaurant is nicer.

**Student A:** you are in charge of organising the event

**Student B:** you are helping your colleague come up with ideas.



## Reading activity

**Read the text below and answer the questions on the following slides.**

At my graphic design company we have so many events that take place during the year. It's impossible to go to them all!

On Fridays, I almost always go for drinks with my team at the bar next to the office. They do amazing cocktails! In the summer, we always have barbecues with the whole office in the park opposite our building. Best of all, all the food and drinks are paid for by the boss!

There are lots of conferences throughout the year. I also love to go to expositions to meet other designers. Our company is smaller than most, so it's a good way to network there.





## True or false?

	TRUE	FALSE
1. The company doesn't organise many events.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. On Fridays they go to the bar.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. In summer the company organises picnics.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. The workers pay for the summer event.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. The person really enjoys going to expositions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. They hate meeting new people at the expositions.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



## Complete the sentences

**Complete the following sentences related to company events.**

1. On Fridays, the team always has \_\_\_\_\_ together.

2. There is a nice \_\_\_\_\_ next to the office serving cocktails.

3. In summer, the company has \_\_\_\_\_ in the park.

4. The summer event is paid for by the \_\_\_\_\_.

5. There are lots of \_\_\_\_\_ during the year.

6. The designer loves attending \_\_\_\_\_ in particular.





## Name that event

- Describe an event from the pictures below without using that word in your description. Your classmates have to guess which one it is!

barbecue



conference



party



drinks





## Reflect on the goals

Go back to the second slide of the lesson and check if you have achieved all the goals of the lesson.

yes

no




## Reflect on this lesson

Think about everything you have seen in this lesson.  
What were the most difficult activities or words? The easiest?



If you have time, go over  
the most difficult slides again



## Answer key

**Activity 3, p.31**  
1) F  
2) T  
3) F  
4) F  
5) T  
6) F

**Activity 2, p.26**  
1) B  
2) D  
3) C  
4) A

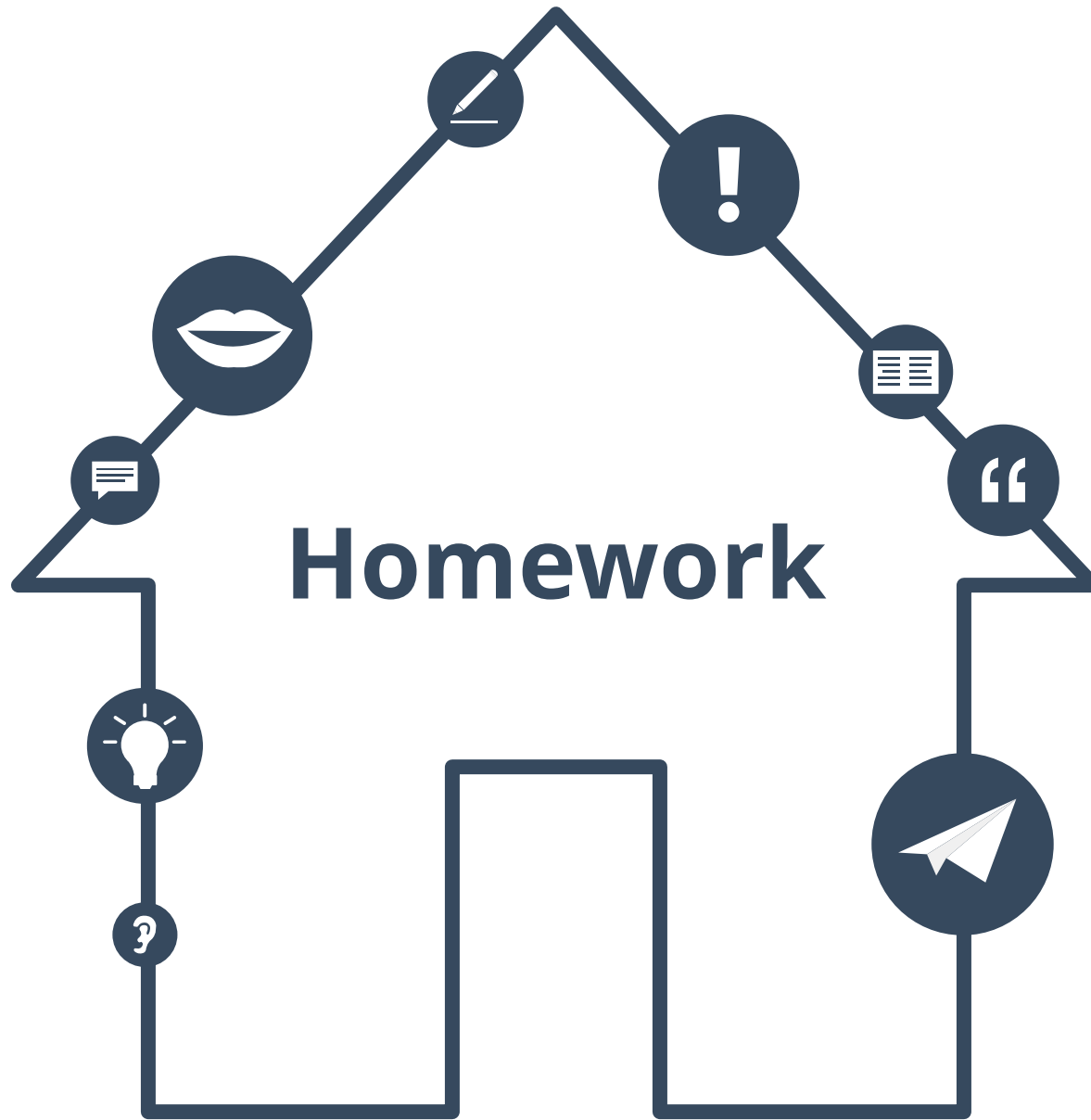
**Activity 1, p.14**  
1) barbecue  
2) bar  
3) restaurant  
4) picnic  
5) activity centre





## Answer key

- Activity 4, p.32**
- 1) drinks
  - 2) bar
  - 3) barbecues
  - 4) boss
  - 5) conferences
  - 6) expositions





## Homework complete the sentences

**Complete the following sentences using the vocabulary you have learned.**

1. We will have \_\_\_\_\_ at the bar.

2. You can choose from cycling, rock climbing and canoeing at the \_\_\_\_\_.

3. There will be cold food and drinks at the \_\_\_\_\_.

4. Company events help improve \_\_\_\_\_.

5. The event is happening \_\_\_\_\_ in another city.

6. If the weather is nice we can have the picnic in the \_\_\_\_\_.



## Homework e-mail writing activity

**Write an informal email to a colleague talking about the formal and informal events at work that you have enjoyed.**

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To:			
Subject: Work events			
<p>Hi,</p> <p>Last year we went to the bar and had some drinks before going to a restaurant for dinner. This year I'd prefer to play golf or go to an activity centre because that is a bit more exciting...</p>			



## Homework answer key

- Task 1 pp. 39
1. Drinks
  2. Activity centre
  3. Picnic
  4. Team building
  5. Off-site
  6. Park





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## Preposition and preference examples



We're having **dinner** at the **restaurant**.

I'd **prefer** to have a **barbecue** than have **drinks**.



The **bar** is **next to** the **conference centre**, so we will go **there** later.

I **feel** everyone will enjoy a **party**.

