

# 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

B

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|--|---|
| 1. New Year's Day is a day when ....     | a. Brazilians celebrate Carnival                |
| 2. April Fools' Day is a day when ....   | b. people have parties with family and friends. |
| 3. May and June are the months when .... | c. many young adults choose to get married.     |
| 4. Valentine's Day is a day when ....    | d. people in many countries honor workers.      |
| 5. Labor Day is a day when ....          | e. people express their love to someone.        |
| 6. February is the month when ....       | f. people sometimes play tricks on friends.     |



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



# Exercises

1. Mexican family offer food to the dead and the have a meal in cemetery is .... day.
  - a. labor
  - b. valentine
  - c. Chinese new year
  - d. Children's
  - e. The dead
  
2. Labor Day is a day when ....
  - a. People in many countries honor workers
  - b. Brazilians celebrate Carnival
  - c. People express their love to someone
  - d. People sometimes play tricks on friends
  - e. Many young adults choose to get married



## Exercise

3. There's a big dinner, and after the food is served, the guests give speeches or .....
- a. dancing
  - b. sing songs
  - c. speech contest
  - d. shake hands
  - e. walking together
4. A: What Christmas day is?  
B: It is a day when ..... celebrate the day.
- a. Buddhist
  - b. Christianity
  - c. Moslem
  - d. Hinduism
  - e. All people

## Exercise

5. A: What Lebaran day is?

B: It is a day when ..... celebrate the day.

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d. Hinduism

b. Christianity

e. All people

c. Moslem

# Answer Key

1. E
2. A
3. B
4. B
- 5 C