



Week 6 - Reading comprehension "Out of the box - Birthday plans" (taken from pages 60, 61 students' book)	
NAME: _____ GRADE: _____ DATE: _____	
O.A 8 (Comprensión lectora)	Lesson objective: Develop reading skills and express your opinions regarding events like birthdays, by answering opinion questions, matching titles to paragraphs, answering multiple choice and analysis questions. (Desarrollar la comprensión lectora expresando opiniones en relación a eventos como cumpleaños, respondiendo preguntas de opinión, análisis, selección múltiple y uniendo párrafos a sus correspondientes títulos.)
Instructions: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Complete the worksheet according to its instructions and you teacher's.- Ask your teacher any questions if necessary, raising your hand, opening microphones or chat.	



In the following text, you will have to deal with strategies to match general and specific ideas, since you have to assign titles to the paragraphs. In order to match the correctly, you have to bear in mind the following considerations:

1. In order to match general ideas (titles) with specific ones (paragraphs) focus your attention on synonyms or paraphrased ideas according to the context they present.
2. List the vocabulary you don't understand as you are reading the text, in order to get and understand the context in a better way. Use a dictionary or ask your teacher.
3. Underline: if the text is printed in a personal worksheet, underline the ideas if you need to read the section later.

PRE READING

What do you do to celebrate your birthdays?

WHILE READING

Read the following texts and match each paragraph to the following titles.

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| a. Jamming | e. NGO Birthday |
| b. Camping Trip | f. Grow your Roots |
| c. Photography Session | g. Bake It Yourself |
| d. Cook Out | h. Solo Bike Ride |

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Out-of-the-Box Birthday Plans

1 Outdoors activities are fun! A camping trip could be an excellent birthday celebration. Choose a natural location you love, invite your best friends, set up a large tent outside, and enjoy a great experience in the fresh air.

2 Gardening is a wonderful way of giving back to the Earth. You can celebrate your birthday by planting some flowers or herbs in tubs, inside the house. Or you could choose a place outside and plant a tree. The plants will make your space look more beautiful, and watching them sprout will make you feel happy.

3 Why wait for someone to surprise you with a wonderful birthday cake? Be independent and bake one yourself. Ask a friend or family member for their best cake recipe and start baking! My mother told me that she always baked her own cake for her birthdays, and everyone loved it.

4 Maybe you'd prefer to celebrate your birthday alone. How about an exciting bike ride down a hill or near the seashore? Remember to take sunblock, your helmet, and plenty of water. Get in touch with your inner adventuring spirit.

5 Last year I went to an orphanage with the help of an NGO called "One life." During my visit, we celebrated a child's birthday. The people in charge of the orphanage said that I could celebrate my birthday with them this year, so I did. It was my most heart-warming birthday celebration ever. I will cherish the memory of the experience forever.

6 Maybe you already have a cake, but you still want to make some of the food for your party. Why not involve all your friends and have a cooking competition? Make sure you have all the ingredients and utensils you will need. Everyone can show off their cooking talents, and then you get to have a feast with the results!

7 A few years ago, my best friend Beto asked me if I wanted to learn to play the guitar. He gave me some lessons, and for my birthday that year, he surprised me with a jam session along with some other friends. They all brought their instruments and we played music for hours! It was really fun, and I got to listen to different music styles I didn't know about.

8 Are you interested in photography? A day out taking photos could be a great birthday celebration. It doesn't matter if you prefer nature, cityscapes, or portraits: you can find great snapshot moments anywhere. My dad told me of a special place for taking photos: it's on top of a hill overlooking the city, so there's both nature and city landscapes. I think that's what I'll do for my next birthday.

POST READING

Read the texts again and choose the correct alternative.

- About the birthday in the orphanage, it is true to say that...

A) The person felt it was his most memorable celebration ever.	C) He was invited to go and celebrate it again.
B) The person felt out of place celebrating his birthday there.	D) He received many presents that day.
- What is the main idea of the extracts previously read?

A) The different ways in which you can celebrate your birthday	C) The money you have to spend for a good birthday
B) Bad and good birthdays experiences	D) The different offers you can have for birthdays
- Regarding the text talking about photography, is incorrect to say that:

A) You have many places to overlook the city.	C) There are both city and nature landscapes
B) There are different places to find great snapshot moments.	D) You can take photos everywhere.

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4. What can you do if you prefer to spend your birthday alone?

- A) Go to a park
- B) Go to the seashore

- C) Go to an orphanage
- D) Go camping

5. What did Beto do for his friend's birthday?

- A) Go to the swimming pool
- B) Spend his birthday with their family

- C) Beto played some music with other friends
- D) Beto baked a cake for his friend

POST READING

Take a look on the following sentences taken from the texts previously read.

1. *My best friend Beto asked me if I wanted to learn to play the piano.*
2. *My mother told me that she always baked a cake for herself.*
3. *The people of the orphanage said that I could celebrate my birthday with them.*

Question: what do these sentences have in common?



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