

GESE Grade 5: Family Celebrations

1. Match the words to their definitions

1. Graduation	a. to get married to someone
2. Birthday	b. to celebrate a man who is going to get married
3. Hen night	c. to meet up with relatives you haven't seen for a long time
4. Retirement	d. to have a baby
5. Wedding	e. to receive your university degree
6. Engagement	f. to accept to marry someone
7. Stag night	g. to celebrate being near the end of your pregnancy
8. Family reunion	h. to celebrate the day you were born
9. Anniversary	i. to celebrate moving into a new house
10. Birth of a baby	j. to celebrate being married every year
11. Baby shower	k. to celebrate a woman who is going to get married
12. House warming	l. to celebrate stopping working

2. Now match the names of the celebrations to the pictures

Graduation	☐
Birthday	☐
Hen night	☐
Retirement	☐
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Family reunion	☐
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3. Complete the sentences with one of the special occasions

1. My sister is getting married in May and so we are organising a _____ for her at the end of April.
2. My parents got married on New Year's Eve and so they always celebrate their _____ and the New Year together.
3. When my friend bought his house, he invited us all for dinner as his _____ party.
4. My dad is still working even though he is 70. When he finally stops working we'll arrange a fantastic _____ party for him.
5. Jessica got her degree in June, but she won't have a _____ party until April next year.
6. When I was younger, I always had a _____ party every year. Now I just have a nice meal with my family.
7. Her boyfriend has asked her to marry him. We have all been invited to their _____ party next month.
8. There has been _____ and it must be a boy. Look! There is a big blue bow on the door and lots of blue ribbons and balloons everywhere.
9. A friend of mine is getting married next year. She wants a small _____ but her boyfriend wants to invite hundreds of people.
10. We haven't seen our relatives who live in Australia for years. They have decided to come over so my dad is organising a huge _____.
11. My friend will be having a baby very soon so she has decided to have a _____ so she can receive all our gifts before she has the baby.
12. My brother had his _____ the night before his wedding. My mum was very angry with him and his friends because they came home really late.

4. Now talk about a special occasion that you and your family celebrate

- Describe what the occasion is, and
- Say why it is special to you and how you and your family celebrate it.