

Reading

3 Read the text and then answer the questions.

Birthdays around the world

"How do you celebrate your birthday?"

"Do you invite lots of your friends?"

"Do you have a party?"

Read what young people around the world do on their special day.



Denmark

In Denmark, they put a flag outside a window to show that someone in that house is having a birthday. They place presents around the birthday child's bed while they are sleeping. When the birthday child wakes up, they are happy when they see their presents.

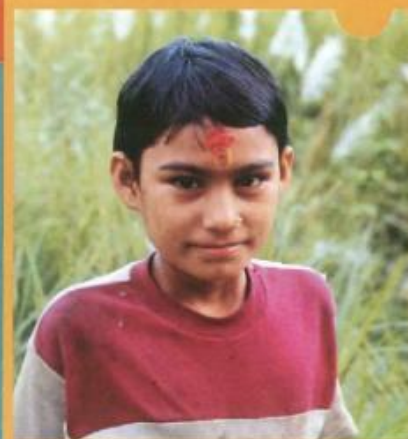
England

Sometimes, when it's your birthday, your friends give you the 'bumps'. They lift you in the air by your hands and feet and raise you up and down to the floor, one for each year.



Nepal

People make a mixture of rice, yogurt and colouring. Then they make a special mark on the birthday child's forehead. People think this brings good luck.



Vietnam

In Vietnam, people do not celebrate the exact day of their birth. Everyone's birthday is on the same day – New Year's Day. On the first morning of the new year, parents give their children red envelopes. In the envelopes, there is 'Lucky Money'.

In which country ...

- 1 do they put a coloured mark on the birthday child's face?
- 2 do all children have the same birthday?
- 3 do you wake up to find your birthday presents?
- 4 do boys and girls lift the birthday child in the air?
- 5 do people celebrate their birthday on the first day of the year?