

Conversation strategies: Vague expressions

- Find the vague expressions in these conversations. What do they mean? Choose two ideas from the **box** below for each one.

1. A *What are you doing for spring break?*
B *I'm going home. I really want to see my family and everything.*
2. A *Do you usually go to a restaurant to celebrate birthdays and stuff?*
B *Yeah, we know a nice place. They bring out cakes **and everything**.*
3. A *Are you into traditional music and stuff like that?*
B *Yeah, we have a lot of music festivals and things like that around here.*

Anniversaries 2A	Concerts	Dancing	Holidays 2A	Sing "Happy Birthday"
Candles	Cultural events	Folk songs	See old friends	Spend time at home

- Match each question with two responses.

1. Are you going to go to any festivals this year?
2. My friend's having a party this weekend. Do you want to go?
3. Are we going to plan an end-of-year party after the last class?
4. I have an extra ticket for a concert tonight. Do you want it?

a. I'm not sure. There's a film festival in March.	e. I'm not sure I'm feeling kind of tired.
b. Maybe. Let's talk to the teacher about it.	f. It depends. Who's playing?
c. It depends. When is it? This Saturday?	g. I don't know. It sounds like a lot of work.
d. I don't know. I think I'm working all weekend.	h. Maybe. I'd like to go to a folk festival.

- Listen and answer the questions about these two festivals.

1. Which country celebrates the festival?
2. When is it?
3. How do people celebrate?
4. Do they eat any special food?
5. Why do they celebrate?