



Listening for stressed words Read part of the conversation and fill in as many blanks as possible. Listen to the conversation again to check and complete the answers with the stressed words.

Mari: Hmm. But isn't Nancy and Andrew's baby due at the end of (1)_____? And this invitation says April (2)_____.

Sharon: Well, yes. The custom is to have a shower (3)_____ the baby is born, when the woman is seven or eight months (4)_____.

Mari: Very interesting. And everybody brings a (5)_____?

Sharon: Right. Something for the baby: You know, (6)_____ or clothes or something for the baby's (7)_____.

Mari: OK. The (8)_____ says it's for lunch, so...

Sharon: Yeah, we'll have lunch, and (9)_____ we'll play (10)_____.

Mari: Games? What (11)_____ of games?

Jeff: (12)_____ games.

Sharon: (13)_____ games like bingo, or guessing games, or baby trivia games. And the (14)_____ get small prizes.

Mari: It (15)_____ like fun.

Sharon: It is. And then, at the (16)_____ of the party, there's usually a cake with (17)_____ decorations, and then the mother-to-be opens her (18)_____.

Mari: While the (19)_____ are still there?

Sharon: Sure. That's my (20)_____ part! Everybody gets to see the gifts.

Jeff: And go "ooh, ahh..."

Sharon: And see how (21)_____ the woman is.

Mari: Wow. That's so (22)_____ from our custom. In Japan we usually (23)_____ (24)_____ a gift in front of guests.

Sharon: Really? That (25)_____ different.

Mari: Well, what kind of gift do you think I should (26)_____ for her?

Sharon: She registered (27)_____, so you can see what she's already (28)_____ and what she still needs. Would you like me to write down the (29)_____ address for you?

Mari: Sure. (30)_____ would be great.

