

- B** Complete the narrative paragraph. Use the time-order signals from the box. Capitalize and punctuate them correctly. Use each signal once. For some, there may be more than one possible answer.

after our trip to the salon	later
after that	next
at 9:00 A.M.	<del>on the morning of my birthday</del>
at the beginning of the party	several hours before the party
finally	then

### Fifteen Years

A girl's 15th birthday—especially the *quinceañera* party—is a very special occasion in many Latin American countries.

My *quinceañera* party was fantastic because of my parents.

On the morning of my birthday, 1. my mother took care

of the last-minute details. She made sure that the food, the music, and the flowers would be perfect. 2.

she and I went to a beauty salon to have our hair and makeup done. 3. we went back home, and

I put on the beautiful dress that my parents had bought for me. 4. my mother gave me a large bouquet of flowers to carry that evening.

5. I entered with my father, as the orchestra played special music. 6. my father made a speech, and I received a lot of gifts.

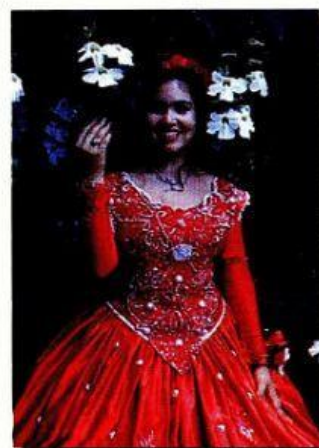
7. everyone had a drink, and my father and I performed

a waltz. 8. I had a fun with all of the girls at the party, and all of the guests stood in a line to congratulate me. I could see that my parents were very proud, so I felt

like the most important person in the world. Although my father probably disagrees, the most exciting part of the *quinceañera* party was when all of the boys stood in a group and I threw my

bouquet. The boy that caught the bouquet had to perform with me, and luckily it was Jaime, the most popular boy at school. 9. everyone performed to different kinds

of music until the next morning. 10. the celebration ended. It was the best party in the world, thanks to my parents.



**PRACTICE 5****Arranging Sentences in Time Order**

Read the groups of sentences. Number them to create a time-order narrative.

**GROUP 1**

- \_\_\_\_\_ She made a cup of coffee so that she could stay awake to do her homework.
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ She went to a movie with her friends.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She tried to clean the coffee up, but the liquid was everywhere.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She put the cup of coffee on her desk next to her computer.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Her laptop doesn't work because there's coffee in it.
- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Last night, Kanna created a huge problem for herself.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She knocked the cup over.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She came home late.

**GROUP 2**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Sarah called the credit card company to activate the card.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She waited for approximately one week for her card to arrive in the mail.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She submitted the application online.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sarah wanted to get her first credit card.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She got an application on the credit card company website.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She filled out the application.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She did research to find the credit card that was best for her.
- \_\_\_\_\_ She signed her new card on the back as soon as she received it.

**GROUP 3**

- \_\_\_\_\_ He gave us a room with an ocean view.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The airline had sold too many tickets for our flight, so we got to sit in first class.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Our good fortune continued at the hotel.
- \_\_\_\_\_ We can't wait to visit Florida again.
- \_\_\_\_\_ He also gave us coupons for lots of free things.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The hotel manager apologized for not having our room ready when we arrived.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Our vacation in Florida last month was almost perfect.
- \_\_\_\_\_ The weather was beautiful, so we spent every afternoon at the hotel pool.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Our good fortune began at the airport before our departure.