

UNIT 5: NICE TO MEET YOU

VOCABULARY

A. Put the words in the box in the correct list.

a. best man	d. bride	g. bouquet	j. cake	m. candle
b. card	e. ceremony	h. veil	k. groom	n. maid of honor
c. party	f. present	i. gown	l. reception	o. ring

Weddings

_____ best man _____

Weddings & Birthdays

_____ card _____

B. Use the words above to complete the paragraph about weddings in the US.

The 1 bride usually wears a white
 2 _____ and 3 _____ and carries a
 4 _____ of flowers. A typical wedding
 party includes a 5 _____, usually the
 bride's closest friend, and a 6 _____,
 typically the groom's best friend. There are
 usually several bridesmaids, who all wear
 the same dress, and a few groomsmen.



an American wedding party

CONVERSATION

A. Complete the conversation. Then listen and check your answers.

a. a silk dress b. in someone's home c. Thai

Patrick What are you going to do tomorrow?

Emily First, I'm going to go shopping. Then I'm going to a wedding.

Patrick That sounds fun! Who's getting married?

Emily A friend of mine from college. She's 1 _____.

Patrick Really? Have you ever been to a 1 _____ wedding before?

Emily Yes, I have. It was beautiful! It took place 2 _____.

Patrick And what did the bride wear?

Emily Well, it was a traditional wedding, so she wore 3 _____.

Patrick So, is there going to be a party after the ceremony is over?

Emily Of course! Doesn't everyone have a party when they get married?

LANGUAGE PRACTICE

Adverbial clauses: *before, after, and when*

Before the party begins, everyone gets dressed up.

When the music starts, people usually dance.

After they eat cake, the guests give presents.

Everyone has a party **when** they get married!

Sequence adverbs

First, buy a present.

Then get dressed up.

Next, go to the party.

Finally, have fun!

A. Complete these sentences with *before, after* or *when*.

1. When Carlos had a birthday, we threw him a surprise party.
2. We sang "Happy birthday" _____ he blew out the candles.
3. _____ he came in the door, we all shouted, "Surprise!"
4. The guests ate cake _____ he cut it into slices.
5. _____ he opened his gifts, he sent thank-you cards.
6. We wrapped the present _____ we went to the party.

B. Match the information to make complete sentences.

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| 1. I call a good friend <u>e</u> | a. after I pass a big test. |
| 2. I feel very happy <u> </u> | b. when I'm very tired. |
| 3. I want to get married <u> </u> | c. before I go to work. |
| 4. I usually eat breakfast <u> </u> | d. after I drink too much coffee. |
| 5. I go to bed early <u> </u> | e. when I have a problem. |
| 6. I sometimes can't sleep <u> </u> | f. before I'm too old. |

READING

A. Look at the pictures. Do you know anything about these events?

Festival time in Latin America

Salvador, Brazil

- 1 People say that Carnaval in northeastern Brazil is the best celebration on earth!
- 2 For six days, the city center is filled with crowds, sounds, and colors. Bands play exciting music on moving stages, called trios eléctricos. Thousands of people follow them through the streets. The music and dancing go on all day and all night. Carnaval is a time when no one sleeps!

Mexico City, Mexico

- 6 El Día de los Muertos, or the Day of the Dead, is the day when Mexicans honor the dead by taking food to the cemetery and having a picnic. They also decorate the graves with personal belongings, photographs, and special ornaments.
- 7 You can buy *pan de muerto* (a sweet bread covered with icing) in the shape of bones, candies in the shape of skulls, and *papier maché* skeletons. People use skulls and skeletons as decorations in their homes, too.

Cuzco, Peru


- 3 The fabulous Inti Raymi, or Sun Festival, is the second biggest festival in Latin America after Carnaval in Brazil.
- 4 The festival goes back about 500 years, to Inca times. The Inca believed that they were descendants of the sun. Inti Raymi was the time when they said, "Sun! We love you! Please don't leave us!"
- 5 Nowadays, hundreds of local men and women act out the roles of Inca priests, nobles, "chosen women," and soldiers. The ceremony starts in the main square. After that, thousands of people follow the actors to an ancient fortress in the hills. Later, there's great food, music, and dancing!



Carnaval



Day of the Dead



Inti Raymi

Read the article. Write what each adjective below describes.

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| 1. exciting (par. 2) <u>music</u> | 4. ancient (par. 5) _____ |
| 2. moving (par. 2) _____ | 5. great (par. 5) _____ |
| 3. fabulous (par. 3) _____ | 6. special (par. 6) _____ |

Read the article again. Then mark the sentences T (truth) or O (opinion).

1. In Salvador, Carnaval lasts for six days and nights. ____
2. Carnaval is the best festival in Latin America. ____
3. Inti Raymi is a 500-year old Inca tradition. ____
4. On the Day of the Dead, Mexicans have picnics in cemeteries. ____
5. *Pan de muerto* is more delicious than skull-shaped candy. ____