



PARTY TIME



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1 Warm up

These are things people do to prepare for a birthday party. Work in pairs to decide when is the best time to do these things.

clean the house	blow up the balloons
buy food and drinks	put on some music
make a cake	prepare food and drinks
move the furniture	wrap the present
buy a present	invite the guests

1. a week before the party: _____
2. the day before the party: _____
3. in the morning, before the party: _____
4. a few minutes before the party: _____

Have you ever had a surprise party for your birthday or planned one for a friend?



2 Listening



Today is Emma's birthday and her housemates Rowan and Essie have planned a surprise party for her. Listen to their conversation and tick the items on the list that they have done.

- blow up the balloons
- buy a present
- buy food and drinks
- clean the house
- invite the guests
- make a cake
- move the furniture
- prepare food and drinks
- put on some music

Answer these questions:

1. What problem do they have?
2. How will they solve the problem?





Listen again and complete each sentence with one missing word.

1. Yes, she's been at college _____ 8:30 this morning.
2. I've _____ organised a surprise party before.
3. I _____ her a really nice scarf in the sales after Christmas.
4. She's wanted that scarf _____ ages!
5. I invited them two weeks _____ .
6. And we've already _____ the food and drinks.
7. Right, but we _____ prepared them yet.
8. _____ you made Emma's favourite chocolate cake yet?
9. Have you _____ made that kind of cake?
10. No, sorry, I still _____ made the cake.
11. I've _____ cleaned the house and moved the furniture.

Now, answer these questions:

1. What tense do sentences 3 and 5 use? Why?
2. Which verb form do the other sentences use?
3. Which key words in these sentences are associated with this verb form?





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Language point

Study the sentences and choose the best option to complete the information.

- And we've **already got** the food and drinks.
- Right, but we **haven't prepared** them yet.
- **Have** you made Emma's favourite chocolate cake **yet**?
- No, sorry, I still **haven't made** the cake.
- **I've just** cleaned the house and moved the furniture.

Choose the right tense:

We use **past simple** / **present perfect simple** to talk about actions that started in the past and have an effect on the present.

The words **already**, **still** and **yet** are often used in present perfect sentences, but we use them in different ways.

1. We use **already** / **still** / **yet** in positive sentences when the action is completed.
2. We use **already** / **still** / **yet** in both questions and negative sentences. We use this word when the action is not completed but we think it will happen.
3. We use **already** / **still** / **yet** with negative sentences to emphasize that something has not been done.

Already, **still** and **yet** have got different positions in sentences.

1. Which word goes **at the end** of the sentence or question?
2. Which word goes **between have/has** and the past participle?
3. Which word goes **before have/has**?
4. Which word has the **same word position as just**, in a present perfect sentence?



4 Practice

Meg and Charlie are organising a birthday party for their father. Write their mother's questions to find out what they have done so far. A ✓ means yes. Then write the answers. Use *already* and *yet*.

Example: (✓) invite the guests / Have you invited the guests yet? / Yes, we've already invited the guests.

buy a present (✓)

1. _____

wrap the present

2. _____

buy a cake at the supermarket (✓)

3. _____

get pizzas (✓)

4. _____

clean the house (✓)

5. _____

decorate the house

6. _____

move the furniture

7. _____

choose some music to put on (✓)

8. _____

Work in pairs to practise the questions and answers again. This time use *he/she* forms and *still*. Do this as a speaking exercise.

Example:

(tick✓) invite the guests / Has Meg invited the guests yet? / No, she still hasn't invited the guests.



5 Speaking

You and your friend want to organise a party for your teacher tomorrow. You have not had time to discuss your plans for the party yet, but you have both already started to prepare.

Choose six things on the table that you have already done. Make notes of some extra information, including cost. Do not show your table to your partner.

Work in pairs. Ask and answer questions to find out what your partner has already done and what they haven't done yet. Use present perfect and *already*, *yet* and *still*. You can also use *just* and past simple as appropriate.

Example:

A: Have you decorated the house yet?

B: Yes, I've already decorated the house. I spent £5 on the decorations. They're red.

A: Really? I've just bought some decorations as well! But mine are green.

	Have you done this?	notes (including cost)
invite the guests		
buy a present		
wrap the present		
buy food and drinks		
prepare food and drinks		
make or buy a cake		
clean the house move the furniture		
blow up the balloons		
example: decorate the house	✓	£5 / red
put on some music		
your own idea		

1. Are you ready for the party?
2. Decide how to complete your preparations.
3. Who has spent the most money?



6 Extra practice/homework

Put these words in order to make sentences.

birthday? you ever have forgotten someone's

1. _____

"Happy Birthday" you yet? sung have

2. _____

already and balloons blown decorated house I've the the up

3. _____

the making I've just finished cake. birthday

4. _____

presents! seen never so I've many

5. _____

opened already of her presents. she's all

6. _____

if coming told they still to haven't they're party. us the

7. _____

any we haven't photos taken yet.

8. _____

on for the just put some music we've party.

9. _____



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Optional extension

Read this short article about the "Happy Birthday" song. What do you think the words in bold mean?

Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday dear (friend), Happy Birthday to you.

- This is probably the most popular song in the world, in English or in translation.
- American sisters Mildred and Patty Hall wrote the music to the song in 1893, but they used the words, "Good morning to you". In 1935, the "Happy Birthday" words and music got a **legal** copyright. This meant that if you wanted to **perform** the song in a film or TV show, or on the radio, you had to pay the copyright holder. This even included singing the song at birthday parties in homes, offices and restaurants!
- The copyright holders probably earned \$2 million every year from "Happy Birthday". However, in 2016, American courts removed the copyright. The song now **belongs** to everybody and you can sing it anywhere for free.

Answer these questions.

1. Is there anything that surprised you in this article?
2. Do you know how to sing this song in English?
3. Is there a translation of this song in your language?



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Appendix

Irregular verbs

infinitive	past simple	past participle
be	was/were	been
become	became	become
blow	blew	blown
break	broke	broken
burn	burnt/burned	burnt/burned
buy	bought	bought
choose	chose	chosen
cut	cut	cut
do	did	done
fall	fell	fallen
forget	forgot	forgotten
get	got	got (US gotten)
go	went	gone
have	had	had
hit	hit	hit
hurt	hurt	hurt
know	knew	known



make	made	made
meet	met	met
put	put	put
ride	rode	ridden
run	ran	run
see	saw	seen
sing	sang	sung
shoot	shot	shot
spend	spent	spent
spill	spilt/spilled	spilt/spilled
swim	swam	swum
take	took	taken
tell	told	told
throw	threw	thrown