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FUN AND GAMES

Planning a Perfect Party

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The Best Days Are Birthdays

Malika loves birthdays. They are always a lot of fun! When her friends have birthday parties, she can't wait to go. She looks forward to the games and the food. But, her favorite part is talking with her friends about the terrific party they just attended! Malika wants to be sure that her party gives everyone plenty to talk about.

Malika's party is just two weeks away. So, she is giving it a lot of thought. She wants to **include** all of her friends. There have to be decorations. Games are important, too. Tasty food is a must! Malika realizes this birthday party will take **effort**. She has to **plan** it all out, and there is no time to lose. She wants her party to be special because her friends are special. After all, a birthday party only happens once a year. She wants everyone to remember hers.




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Guest lists help party planners make sure everyone has been invited.

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Details and Decisions

It's time to get to work! Planning a party takes time and thought. There are many **details** to consider. Malika is ready, though. She has some great ideas for putting together a wonderful birthday party for herself and her friends.

There are a lot of **decisions** to make. First, she needs to decide what decorations there should be. Then, she needs to figure out how many of the decorations she will need.

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Calendars and checklists help people track time and tasks when planning big events.

Next, she needs to decide how many people to invite. This part is important. She wants to have all of her friends come to her party. When she knows how many people will be there, she can start planning the food. What would a birthday party be without food? It would be a lot of hungry people!

Last, she needs to think about party **favors**. It is fun to leave a birthday with a little present. She wants her guests to feel special, too.

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This party store sells latex and mylar balloons.

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Decorations

Malika wants her party to be bright and exciting. She thinks back to her friend Jin's birthday party. There were balloons everywhere she looked. It was very pretty. She decides she wants her party to look like that, too.

At the party store, Malika finds the balloon **aisle**. But there are so many! They are different sizes and colors. There are balloons made of latex, which is like rubber. There are balloons made of mylar, which is like foil. Malika has some hard decisions to make.

Malika likes the plain latex balloons the best. But she can't decide which color to get. She thinks about it for a long time. Finally, she picks the yellow and blue balloons. Those are her favorite colors. She plans to tie them in groups around her house.

