

Special Occasions



1. Where would you hear the following phrases? Write the number of the phrase next to the sentence.

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| A. WEDDING | 1) My father gave me away. |
| B. WEDDING | 2) You have to blow out all the candles. |
| ANNIVERSARY | 3) You've given the company so much. |
| C. RETIREMENT | 4) I've got confetti in my hair! |
| D. BIRTHDAY | 5) Is it really ten years since we walked down the aisle? |
| E. GRADUATION | 6) She looks so much like her mother. |
| F. BAPTISM/CHRISTENING | 7) If you blow out all the candles, your wish will come true. |
| G. FUNERAL | 8) Finally you'll have more time to spend with your grandchildren. |
| | 9) With your excellend grades you won't have any problems getting into a good University. |
| | 10) What will you do with all that free time? |
| | 11) That's such a pretty name they've chosen. |
| | 12) The best man will give a speech now. |
| | 13) My condolences to you and your family. |

2. Complete the sentences. Use a word from the same word family a the word in brackets.

- a) My dad had two big _____ (CELEBRATE) for his 50th birthday.
- b) I knew their _____ (MARRY) wouldn't last. He was too jealous.
- c) Where did you out the Christmas _____ (DECORATE)? I can't find them anywhere.
- d) I want my wedding _____ (INVITE) to ebsomething special.
- e) The wedding _____ (RECEIVE) took place in a luxurious hotel at the seaside.
- f) My dad won't admit it, but he's rather _____ (SUPERSTITION). He spits three times whenever a black cat crosses his way.
- g) Many people _____ (BELIEF) that on a wedding day means the couple will have a lot of money.



1 Write complete sentences about Slovenian celebrations and superstitions. Use *if* for sentences 2–7 and *unless* for sentences 8–10.

1 you plant your flowers during the week before Palm Sunday / they grow well

If you plant your flowers during the week before Palm Sunday, they'll grow well.

2 you sprinkle crushed eggshells from Easter eggs around the house / they keep the evil away

3 you get fern seeds in your shoes on midsummer night / you understand what animals are saying

4 you put the house key on the table at Christmas / the house be safe until next Christmas

5 a girl bring an even number of logs from the woodshed on Christmas Eve / she get married soon

6 you visit other people on Christmas Day / something bad happen to you

7 you eat bread left from Christmas on January 6th / you become extremely strong

8 Christmas not be white / Easter be white

9 you not put a loaf of bread on the table at Christmas / the family not be lucky and healthy

10 you not wear some new clothes on New Year's Day / you not have any new clothes for a year
