Holidays and celebrations: conversation questions for English classes

24 question cards in three level bands. Print, cut and let learners draw a card, or share the page on screen.

A1–A2 · Beginner and elementary

When is your birthday?

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What do you do on your birthday?

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What is the most important holiday in your country?

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What do you eat on that day?

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Who do you celebrate with?

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Do you give presents? When?

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What is your favourite holiday?

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What did you do last New Year's Eve?

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B1–B2 · Intermediate

Describe a celebration from your country to someone who has never seen it.

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Tell me about the best party you have been to.

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Which tradition do you love and which one would you happily skip?

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How did you celebrate your birthday as a child?

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Have you ever celebrated a holiday in another country?

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What is the best present you have ever received?

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How do weddings work in your country?

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What do you do on a public holiday?

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C1–C2 · Advanced

Why do people keep traditions they no longer believe in?

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Have holidays become too commercial?

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Should everyone get days off for their own religious or cultural holidays?

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What makes a celebration feel meaningful instead of an obligation?

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How do traditions change when a family moves to another country?

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Is it rude to refuse to take part in a celebration?

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Which new tradition has appeared in your lifetime?

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If you could create a new public holiday, what would it celebrate?

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Useful language

- We usually... / We always...
- People dress up as... / People get together to...
- It's a tradition to...
- It takes place on... / It lasts for...
- to celebrate · to decorate · to toast · to wrap
- Happy New Year! / Congratulations! / Cheers!

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