

Planning a Surprise Party

CEFR B2 Roleplay



1. Warm-up Discussion:

1. Have you ever planned or attended a surprise party? What was the experience like?
2. What are the key elements to consider when planning a surprise party?
3. How do you ensure that the person being surprised doesn't find out about the party?
4. What are some challenges you might face when organizing a surprise party?
5. How would you decide on a theme, location, and guest list for the party?
6. What strategies would you use to coordinate with others while keeping the party a secret?

2. Example Conversation: Planning a Surprise Party

Organizer (Student A): Hey, I'm glad you're here. We need to start planning the surprise party for Alex.

Helper (Student B): Absolutely! I'm excited about it. Have you thought about where we should have it?

Organizer: Yes, I was thinking of hosting it at my place. It's central, and Alex wouldn't suspect anything if we invited him over.

Helper: That's a great idea. What about the date? We need to make sure Alex is available and doesn't have other plans.

Organizer: I was thinking next Saturday. I'll casually ask him about his plans for that day to make sure he's free.

Helper: Good plan. What about the guest list? Who should we invite?

Organizer: I've made a list of close friends and family. Do you think we should include anyone else?

Helper: The list looks good. Maybe we should invite his colleague, Sarah. They've become good friends recently.

Organizer: Good point. I'll add her to the list. What do you think about the theme? Should we go for something fun, like a retro theme?

Helper: A retro theme sounds perfect! We could ask everyone to dress up in 80s-style clothes.

Organizer: I love it! Now, what about food and drinks? Should we order catering or do a potluck?

Helper: A potluck could be fun, and it adds a personal touch. I can bring some appetizers.

Organizer: Great! I'll handle the main course. We should also think about the cake—Alex loves chocolate.

Helper: I'll order a chocolate cake from his favorite bakery. Do we need to plan any activities or games?

Organizer: We could do a trivia game about Alex, with fun facts about him. It'll be a great way to involve everyone.

Helper: That sounds like so much fun. I think we've got everything covered. We just need to keep it a secret!

Organizer: Definitely. I'll send out the invitations and make sure everyone knows it's a surprise. Thanks for your help!

Helper: You're welcome! I can't wait to see Alex's reaction. This is going to be an amazing party!

3. Background:

The roleplay involves two friends planning a surprise party for a mutual friend named Alex. The main organizer needs to coordinate the party details, including the location, date, guest list, theme, food, and activities. The helper is there to provide ideas, suggestions, and assistance with the preparations. Both must ensure that the surprise is kept secret from Alex.

4. Instructions:

- **Instructions for Student A (the main organizer):**
You are organizing a surprise party for your friend Alex. Your task is to plan the party with another friend, discussing all the important details such as the location, date, guest list, theme, food, and activities. Make sure to coordinate everything so that the party is a success and remains a surprise.

- **Instructions for Student B (the helper):**
You are helping a friend plan a surprise party for Alex. Your task is to contribute ideas and suggestions, and assist with the preparations. Work together with the main organizer to make sure all the details are covered and that the surprise is kept secret.

5. Vocabulary List:

Surprise, guest list, theme, potluck, central, retro, appetizers, trivia, invitation, secret.