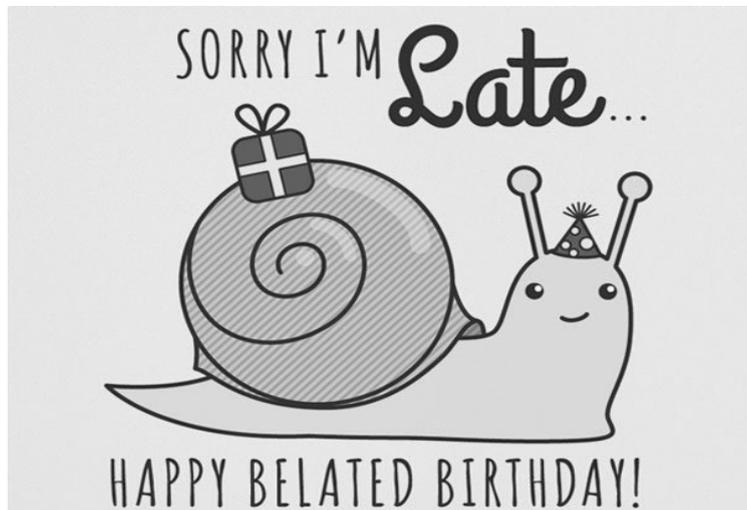


5 Birthdays

"You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old." - George Burns (comedian, actor & writer)



Did you know?

Nine percent of Birthdays are celebrated in August, more than any other month. The month with the least birthdays is February.

The least common birth date in both the UK and USA (apart from February 29) is December 25.

Rapper Kanye West bought his ex-wife Kim Kardashian 10 Burger King restaurants for her birthday.

English Playwright William Shakespeare died on his 52nd birthday.

In Jamaica it is thought to be bad luck to get married on your birthday.

In the UK and Ireland, it is common for children to be given the bumps by their friends. The birthday boy or girl is picked up by their arms and legs and lifted into the air, once for every year of their age. In India they do the same but with an additional butt kick.

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Mixed up vocabulary

presents	if you're having a party, you'll need to send out some of these
magician	people often eat a piece of this on their birthday
cake	something unexpected can be nice or nasty
candles	It's nice to receive lots of these on your birthday
gift voucher	one for every year - blow them out and make a wish
surprise	a type of entertainer you might find at children's parties
invitations	similar to money, but you can only spend it in one shop

Idioms and collocations

Martin was the _____ *of the party*; he didn't stop dancing all night.

I don't like to dance, I have *two left* _____.

Come on Mick! It's a party. *Let your* _____ *down* and have a drink and a dance.

I'm not a *party* _____. I prefer to celebrate quietly with my family.

I had a quiet birthday. We ordered pizza and *chilled* _____ at home

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Have you ever been part of a surprise birthday party?

Do you share your birthday with anyone famous?

How many people's birthdays do you know off by heart?

What's your star sign?
Do you think your personality matches your star sign?

What did you do for your last birthday?

How would you spend your perfect birthday?

Do you have any good or bad memories of a previous birthday?

Do you know what time of day you were born?

How do people celebrate birthdays in your country?

What would be the perfect birthday present for you now?