

16 DATES AND HISTORY

WATCH

A Watch the video. Write what you hear about three different parties.

	The party Madeline mentions	The first party Alejandro mentions	The second party Alejandro mentions
What kind of party was it?			
Whose party was it?			
Where was the party?			
What was the party like?			

B Compare your ideas with a partner.

C Look at the video script. What are the missing words?

D Watch again and check your answers.

PRACTISE PRONUNCIATION

A Practise the conversation in pairs.

B Which words or phrases are difficult for you? Tell a partner.

C Watch again and listen to the words / phrases that are difficult to say.

Ask your teacher to stop the video.

Repeat the word(s) / phrases.

D In pairs, practise reading the dialogue again.

KARAOKE

Watch the karaoke version and look at the video script. Act out the karaoke lines in *italics*.

VIDEO SCRIPT

Alejandro So what did you do last night? Anything interesting?

Madeline Yeah, I did actually. I went to the surprise party of a friend of mine.

Alejandro *Oh wow!* ¹ _____ ? *Was it good?*

Madeline Oh, it was really good. Brilliant!

Alejandro *And* ² _____ ?

Madeline It was her birthday. Her twenty-oneth. Um, twenty-first. She was very surprised!

Alejandro And what was the venue? The place?

Madeline It was a restaurant in the city. So, long to travel ... a long way to travel! But we booked ³ _____ so it was full of her friends and family and everyone.

Alejandro *And what was the food like? Was it good?*

Madeline It was delicious! Of course! It was food from my country. *Anyway, what about you? What did you do last night? Anything interesting?*

Alejandro Yes, actually. I ⁴ _____ .

Madeline At your house?

Alejandro *Yes. I cooked for some friends of mine.*

Madeline Wow! Why didn't you ⁵ _____ ?

Alejandro Well, my apartment is very small. And I have so many friends!

Madeline *What* ⁶ _____ ?

Alejandro Moroccan food. Lamb tagine with potatoes and cous cous.

Madeline What's cous cous?

Alejandro It's like rice. Kind of North African rice.

Madeline *Oh, OK. It sounds nice. What time did the party* ⁷ _____ ?

Alejandro About ten thirty or eleven, I guess. Everybody had to go to catch their buses and trains home.

Madeline So let's try another one. *What did you do last night? Anything interesting?*

Alejandro Yes, I did, actually. I went to a wedding reception. Well, first the wedding and then the wedding reception.

Madeline Wow! ⁸ _____ ?

Alejandro *My big brother and his girlfriend Melissa.*

Madeline What happens in a wedding reception in your country?

Alejandro Well, first, after ⁹ _____ , everyone goes to a different room and says cheers to the married couple.

Madeline The bride and groom?

Alejandro Yes, right. We have champagne and we say good luck and everything. Then we ¹⁰ _____ the bride and groom and the parents. They stand on one side of the room.

Madeline *OK! It's very different from my country.*

Alejandro And maybe there are a few bowls of food, but nothing big. Then everyone goes to the reception, which is somewhere else. Maybe in a big, expensive restaurant or in someone's house. My brother's one was in a hotel in the city centre. *It was* ¹¹ _____ . *We got there, ordered some drinks, and then waited.* He came with his new wife, and they had their first dance together and everyone did like this – woo woo! We ¹² _____ – really good – and then there were lots and lots of crazy dancing.

Madeline *What time did it go on till?*

Alejandro I honestly can't remember, but late!