

## 1 Rob's birthday party

Hi, I'm Rob. Let me tell you about my birthday. First I always invite all my friends and some players from my football team. And my family of course. That's my two brothers, my sister, and my dad.

My mum gets an invitation too, but I know that she can't come. She lives in America now. That's sad but she always sends me a birthday card and money, so I can buy a present.

But my aunt and uncle usually come down to London. They live up north, you see, near Manchester, and they really love parties. I'm sad that my Grandma Ellie can't come this year. She is on holiday in Spain. I really hope she can come next year, for my 14th birthday.

Anyway, where was I? Oh yeah, the party. About 20 people usually come to my party and we meet at our house and sit in the garden. This year my friends and I want to make burgers. Everybody can make his or her own burger. I like tomatoes and lots of cheese on my burger.

Then, after dinner, we always play party games, like Musical Chairs, for example. You put the chairs in a circle, and everybody dances around the chairs, and when the music suddenly stops, everybody has to sit down.

The person who doesn't find a chair to sit on is out. I really like that game, but Uncle Sam doesn't. He is not good at Musical chairs because he is very slow and usually the first one out. But Sophia is very good at Musical Chairs. She is really fast and she usually wins.

So what happens next? This year I would like to go bowling. You see, I go bowling once a week with my dad.

He loves bowling and shows me how to get better at it. It isn't very expensive to go bowling because my dad is a club member and on your birthday you always get a special price for you and your friends.

There is also a restaurant at the bowling centre, and you can have burgers, chips, chicken nuggets or sausages there ... yummy! They also have salads. Later the parents come to the bowling centre to collect their children and go home. I really look forward to my birthday party!