

Lesson 48

We tied the knot.

Target: Having a conversation about weddings.

Vocabulary

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Weddings



Related vocabulary

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| - marriage | - a ceremony | - a honeymoon |
| - a groom / groomsmen | - to get / have cold feet | - to settle down |
| - the best man | - a wedding registry | - newlyweds |
| - a bride / a bridesmaid | - to RSVP | - to pose for... |
| - the maid of honor | - (to lift) a veil | - a garter |
| - a reception | - to say / rehearse one's vows | - a bouquet |
| - to be someone's plus one | - to tie the knot | - a chapel |

Conversation

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1 Use the questions below to have a conversation with your partner about the topic

Partner #1: Questions

1. What's the difference between: to get married / to be married / to marry...?
2. Where are some popular locations where people like to get married?
3. Who normally escorts the bride-to-be down the aisle?
4. Why do you think some people get cold feet before their wedding?
5. Have you ever been someone's plus one?
6. Do you think the following joke is funny: "Marriage isn't a word it's a sentence."?
7. What would you put on your wedding registry?
8. Who are some other people at a wedding? (ring bearer / flower girl / a priest / a celebrant / an officiant)
9. What normally happens after the groom lifts the bride's veil?
10. How old were your parents when they tied the knot?

Partner #2: Questions

1. Do you prefer going to the wedding or the reception? Why?
2. What are some of the responsibilities of the best man / maid of honor?
3. Would you like to get married in a chapel? Why? Why not?
4. Have you ever been to a bachelor / bachelorette party? How was it?
5. Where would you like to go on your honeymoon? / Where did you go?
6. At what age do people usually settle down, get married and have kids in your country?
7. What are some things you should say to the bride and groom during the wedding / reception?
8. What are some important things to consider when you are planning a wedding?
9. What will happen to the woman who catches the bouquet?
10. Do you think it's more important to have nice food or to hire a professional photographer for the wedding?

2 Complete one or more of the situations below

- 1. Role play:** Partner #1: You are attending a wedding in a foreign country. Ask what you need to do.
Partner #2: You have been to lots of weddings. Explain to your friend what they should do.
- 2. Interview:** Interview a bride-to-be about what she's got planned for her big day.
- 3. Speech:** Describe the schedule for a typical wedding in your country.
- 4. Debate:** You think weddings should be big and expensive, but your partner disagrees.