**Questions**

* How are birthdays celebrated in your country?
* What are some birthday traditions you know of from other countries?
* How do you like to celebrate your birthday?
* What is your best birthday memory?
* What is your worst birthday memory?
* Have you ever had a surprise birthday party for yourself or someone else?
* What is the best birthday gift you have ever received?
* What is the worst birthday gift you have ever received?
* What are some things you like to do for your birthday?
* When is your birthday?
* Did your parents give you birthday parties when you were a child?
* In your opinion, What is the best time of year to have a birthday?
* How do people you know celebrate turning 40?
* Do you think getting older (40, 50, 60) is depressing for people, or a happy occasion?
* What do you think is the best age?
* Do you like going to work on your birthday?
* Did you like going to school on your birthday when you were a child?
* Have you ever had a surprise party?
* Whose birthday do you always remember?
* Among your close friends and relatives, whose birthday is coming up next?
* About how many birthday gifts or cards do you send or give to people each year?
* Have you ever forgotten someone's birthday that you should have remembered?
* Do you know any famous people's birthdays? (Are any the same as yours?)
* Do you know of any big events that happened the year you were born?
* What is the best birthday gift you have ever received?
* What is the best birthday gift you have ever given?
* What is the worst birthday gift you have ever received?
* What is the worst birthday gift you have ever given?
* If you are in your teen years, tell how old you will be in twenty years time and say whether you look forward to that age or does it scare you.
* If you could celebrate your own birthday the way you wanted, what would you do?
  + Where would you like to go?
  + How many people would you invite?
* Would you rather celebrate your birthday with just your relatives or just your friends?
* Do you remember what gifts you received on your last birthday?
* What would you like to get most for your birthday this year?
* Is the cost of a present important to you?
* What kind of gift do you usually prepare for your friend's birthday?
  + Your mother's?
  + What about for other family members?
* Which is a better present, a well-chosen gift or money?
* Are birthdays really important?
* How do you celebrate your birthday?