

Harry Potter



Birthday Celebration Event Planner

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IT'S HARRY'S BIRTHDAY!

Harry's birthday is on July 31st, which is a perfect opportunity to host a party that all his fans can enjoy! As with any birthday party, it's okay to celebrate on a day that's more convenient for guests to attend. Just use the event suggestions and activities in this planner, and get ready to share the magic!

ANNOUNCE YOUR PARTY

Start by advertising your event in your newsletter and on your website.

Make copies of the enclosed invitation. Hand them out or keep a stack next to the register.

Use the store event sign in addition to the invitation. Hang it next to the register or in your store window.

SET A SPELLBINDING BIRTHDAY PARTY SCENE

It's not a party if you don't have decorations—you can use streamers and balloons. But remember to keep it magical, perhaps by hanging stars from the ceiling like in the Hogwarts Great Hall. You could also have members of your staff dress up as characters like Hagrid or Professor McGonagall. You can even hire a magician to perform some old-fashioned Muggle magic.

Give your store a Hogwarts feel by creating Golden Snitch ceiling decorations: Paint ping-pong balls gold, add a feather to each side, then suspend them from the ceiling using clear thread or fishing line. You can also paint and suspend brooms to serve as Firebolts. Banners with the House names—Hufflepuff, Ravenclaw, Slytherin, and Gryffindor—would also look great.

FUN AND GAMES

Harry Potter fans take pride in their knowledge of J.K. Rowling's richly imagined world, so give them a chance to show off!

In addition to the reproducible Word Find, Scrambled Word Game, Crossword Puzzle, and Create a Card activities provided, here are some ideas to make your Harry Potter Party one that Muggles will remember.



LET'S TALK HARRY

Give fans of all ages a chance to share their thoughts and ideas about the fascinating characters, plots, and settings of the Harry Potter books.

Here are some questions to help you get started:

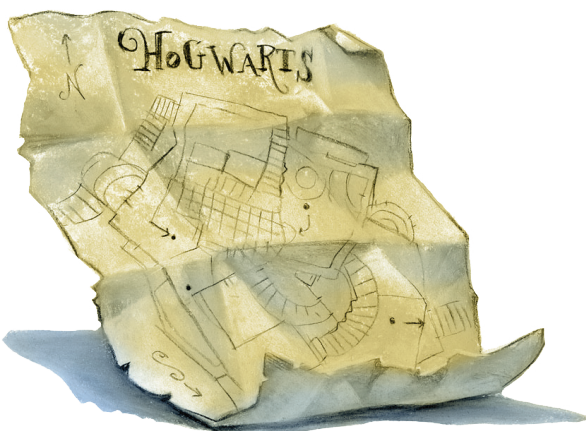
If you could choose to be in any Hogwarts house, which would you choose, and why? Who is your favorite character, and why?

Who is your least favorite character, and why?

Which Hogwarts professor do you think would give the toughest homework?

Would you rather have a Firebolt, an Invisibility Cloak, or a Gringotts vault full of wizard money? Why did you choose that?

If you could give Harry Potter a birthday present, what would it be, and why?



“WHAT BOOK IS IT FROM?”

One of the great things about the Harry Potter series is that each book introduces new characters, animals, spells, and magical objects not found in the Muggle world. Have your guests guess in which book someone or something was introduced. For example, Dolores Umbridge was first introduced in *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix*. Use the reproducible sheet provided to test your guests' memories, or think up some of your own questions.

MUGGLEPHONE

A great way to get people laughing is to arrange them in a circle and start a game of what Muggles call “Telephone.” Start with a simple message, “I would like to wish Harry Potter a happy birthday, and I hope he gets a Chocolate Frog.” Whisper the message to one member of the circle, then have members whisper the message from person to person. Let the person at the end of the line shout what they think they heard.

You can then play again and again by choosing lines or passages from all seven books.

CREATE A SORTING HAT

Using the reproducible sheet provided, place the Hogwarts Sorting Hat Name Tags in a sufficiently magical-looking wizard's hat. Let the guests take one from the Sorting Hat, and have them fill in their names on the Name Tags.



MAKE YOUR OWN MAGIC WAND

Set up a crafts station where children can make their own magical wands. Have chopsticks or straws available for children to decorate. Label containers of glitter: phoenix feather (red), dragon heartstring (gold), and unicorn hair (silver).

HARRY POTTER A-Z GAME

Starting with an “A” word or character name from Harry Potter, like “Apparate” or “Azkaban,” ask the group to go through the alphabet (thinking of other Harry Potter words or character names) till they get to “Z.”

Stuck on a letter? Don’t worry. Use the reproducible sheet provided to keep the game going.

TAKE HOME MAGICAL MEMORIES

A Harry Potter birthday party is a terrific opportunity to make new friends and share your love of reading. Take plenty of pictures—later you can tack them to a bulletin board or hand them out to those you photographed. Thanks to you, your event will showcase Harry’s most magical gift of all—his power to bring people together.





Join us for a magical birthday event filled with games, activities, and more!



Harry Potter
Birthday
Celebration!

Date:

Time:

Place:

Contact:



Harry Potter



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HARRY POTTER BIRTHDAY CARD

There's no better way to celebrate Harry's birthday than by making him a card.

We started one, but it's up to you to finish it. Use the blank areas to draw a picture, write a message, or both.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Harry Potter 



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HARRY POTTER BIRTHDAY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

You don't need to be a wizard to know all the answers—but you do need to be a fan of Harry Potter. Show him how happy you are to celebrate his birthday by completing the crossword puzzle below.



ACROSS

2. *Harry Potter and the _____ of Fire.*
3. *Harry Potter and the _____ of Secrets.*
6. *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's _____.*
7. *Harry Potter and the _____ Hallows.*
8. Ron, Fred, and George's last name.
11. *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood _____.*
12. Mad-Eye Moody's first name.
13. Professor Dumbledore's first name.
14. _____ 2000, a type of broomstick.

DOWN

1. Dudley's last name.
2. Hermione's last name.
4. *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of _____.*
5. *Harry Potter and the _____ of the Phoenix.*
9. Professor Snape's first name.
10. Professor McGonagall's first name.

HARRY POTTER BIRTHDAY WORD FIND

It's Harry's birthday—and he's celebrating with some of his friends. See how many names you can find hidden in the word find below.

R R K X R K C N P F Y P X L Y
 G E T D T H U N Q S V N K U V
 E L E P I K O G L F G J N P Q
 O L H D A R R V W C R T B I Y
 R I H G V O G E I X P E H N G
 G V Q E D I Z A A G E C D Y N
 E E X S R V B M H C V B J Y O
 M N F U E M S X B Q H Q J H U
 T Z M I X S I G F P E E V E S
 I U P R W V D O L W N J R V I
 D F J I Q A F I N P X U Y V E
 O S D S K N O T Z E E U T F V
 B I G K B Y Z L V L U N A U L
 B D G P H F D B F S B D O H C
 Y X W W W I J R K V V S U A U



Cho	George	Kreacher	Peeves
Dobby	Ginny	Luna	Ron
Fleur	Hagrid	Lupin	Sirius
Fred	Hermione	Neville	Tonks

HARRY POTTER BIRTHDAY SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

Below is a list of words from the world of Harry Potter. How many can you unscramble?

1. WSOHTGRA

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2. DWNA

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3. DRIZAW

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4. NTOGHS LENIDC

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5. DHQIIUTDC

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6. HYETLRSNI

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7. FHPLFUFUEF

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8. FROGYRFDNI

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9. VREWCLANA

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10. LAEDOL YIGAN

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ANSWERS: 1. Hogwarts, 2. Wand, 3. Wizard, 4. Golden Snitch, 5. Quidditch, 6. Slytherin, 7. Hufflepuff, 8. Gryffindor, 9. Ravenclaw, 10. Dragon Alley

HARRY POTTER BIRTHDAY A-Z CHALLENGE

Celebrate Harry's birthday with this A-Z Challenge game. Starting with an A word or character name from Harry Potter, like "Apparate" or "Azkaban," ask the group to go through the alphabet (thinking of other Harry Potter words or character names) until they get to "Z."

If the group gets stuck, use this list to keep the game going.

A

Aragog
Auror
Azkaban

B

Ludo Bagman
Basilisk
Blast-Ended Skrewt

C

Chamber of Secrets
Cho Chang
Chocolate Frogs

D

Deathly Hallows
Diagon Alley
Dobby

E

Eeylops Owl Emporium
Expecto Patronum!
Errol

F

Fang
Firebolt
Fizzing Whizbees

G

Goblet of Fire
Golden Snitch
Gryffindor House

H

Hedwig
Hippogriff
Hogwarts

I

Impediment Jinx
Imperius Curse
Invisibility Cloak

J

Jelly Slugs
Angelina Johnson
Bertha Jorkins

K

Keeper
Knockturn Alley
Viktor Krum

L

Leaky Cauldron
Gilderoy Lockhart
Neville Longbottom

M

Draco Malfoy
Marauder's Map
Professor Minerva
McGonagall

N

N.E.W.T.s
Nearly Headless Nick
Nimbus Two Thousand

O

O.W.L.s
Ollivander
Omnioculars

P

Parseltongue
Patronus
Privet Drive

Q

Quaffle
Quidditch
Professor Quirrell

R

Ravenclaw House
Riddikulus
Tom Riddle

S

Shrieking Shack
Slytherin House
Severus Snape

T

Time-Turner
Transfiguration
Triwizard Tournament

U

U-No-Poo
Unforgivable Curses
Unicorn

V

Veela
Veritaserum
Lord Voldemort

W

Wand
Ginny Weasley
Whomping Willow

X

Xenophilius Lovegood

Y

Yaxley
You-Know-Who

Z

Blaise Zabini
Rose Zeller
Zonko's Joke Shop



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“WHAT BOOK IS IT FROM?” CHALLENGE

Each book in the Harry Potter series introduces new characters, animals, spells, and magical objects not found in the Muggle world. Pick from the list of examples below (or think up some of your own) and challenge your guests to guess in which book someone, or something, was introduced.

BOOK #1:

Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone
 Chocolate Frogs
 Hagrid
 Diagon Alley
 Nimbus Two Thousand
 Sorting Hat
 The Mirror of Erised
 Norbert the Norwegian Ridgeback
 Firenze the Centaur

BOOK #2:

Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets
 Dobby
 Gilderoy Lockhart
 The Whomping Willow
 Polyjuice Potion
 Moaning Myrtle
 Tom Marvolo Riddle
 Aragog
 Basilisk

BOOK #3:

Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban
 The Knight Bus
 The Firebolt
 Sneakoscope
 Professor Lupin
 Boggarts



The Marauder's Map
 Crookshanks
 A Time-Turner

BOOK #4:

Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire
 Viktor Krum
 Rita Skeeter
 Mad-Eye Moody
 Blast-Ended Skrewts
 Merpeople
 The Pensieve
 Bartemius Crouch

BOOK #5:

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix
 Kreacher
 Luna Lovegood
 Ludicrous Patents Office
 Dumbledore's Army
 Occlumency
 Fountain of Magical Brethren
 Amelia Bones
 Dolores Umbridge

BOOK #6:

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince
 The Slug Club
 Felix Felicis
 The House of Gaunt
 U-No-Poo
 Unbreakable Vow
 Horcruxes
 Sectumsempra!

BOOK #7:

Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows
 The Silver Doe
 Malfoy Manor
 The Elder Wand
 Gregorovitch
 Xenophilius
 The Muggle-Born Registration Commission
 The Lost Diadem



SORTING HAT NAME TAGS

Reproduce the Hogwarts Sorting Hat Name Tags as needed, and place in a sufficiently magical-looking wizard's hat. Let each guest take one from the Sorting Hat, and have them fill in their names.

