

B1-B2 English Worksheet: The Dinner Party Disaster - 30 June 2026

Article

The Invite is a new comedy film about a dinner party that goes badly wrong. Olivia Wilde and Seth Rogen play a married couple who are invited to dinner by their upstairs neighbours. At first, everyone tries to be polite and friendly.

Soon, the evening becomes awkward. The hosts say surprising things, and the guests start to feel uncomfortable. What should be a simple meal turns into a social disaster, with secrets, tension and difficult conversations.

The story works because many people understand this situation. Dinner parties can be fun, but they can also be stressful. People worry about food, conversation, manners and what other people think. One strange comment, or one honest answer, can change the whole evening. That is why this kind of story feels funny and familiar.

True/False

Decide if each statement is True (T) or False (F).

1. The Invite is a comedy film about a dinner party.
2. The dinner party goes perfectly well.
3. Olivia Wilde and Seth Rogen play a married couple.
4. The couple invite their upstairs neighbours for dinner.
5. At first, everyone tries to be polite.
6. The evening becomes awkward.
7. The article says dinner parties are always relaxing.
8. One strange comment or honest answer can change the whole evening.

Phrase Match

Match the phrases (1-10) to the correct definitions (A-J).

Phrases (1-10)	Definitions (A-J)
1. dinner party	A. starts to feel socially uncomfortable
2. goes badly wrong	B. people who live in the flat above
3. married couple	C. a situation where social behaviour becomes very bad
4. upstairs neighbours	D. becomes a failure or a problem
5. tries to be polite	E. an unusual or unexpected thing someone says
6. becomes awkward	F. makes an effort to behave nicely
7. feel uncomfortable	G. talks that are not easy
8. social disaster	H. a meal for invited guests
9. difficult conversations	I. feel embarrassed, nervous or unhappy
10. strange comment	J. two people who are married

Synonym Match

Match the words (1-10) to the correct synonyms (A-J).

Words (1-10)	Synonyms (A-J)
1. comedy	A. uncomfortable
2. invited	B. worrying
3. polite	C. funny film
4. awkward	D. private information
5. surprising	E. respectful
6. simple	F. social behaviour
7. secrets	G. easy
8. tension	H. unexpected
9. stressful	I. strain
10. manners	J. asked to come

Use the new language

Choose 5 words or phrases from the worksheet and write your own sentences.

Discussion Questions

Student A

1. Do you like dinner parties?
2. Do you prefer eating at home or in a restaurant with friends?
3. What food would you cook for guests?
4. What makes someone a good guest?
5. What makes a dinner party awkward?
6. Do you like meeting neighbours socially?
7. What topics should people avoid at dinner?
8. Have you ever had a meal that went badly wrong?

Student B

1. Why can dinner parties feel stressful?
2. Is it better to be honest or polite at dinner?
3. Should guests help with cooking and cleaning?
4. Can one rude comment ruin a whole evening?
5. Why do films and TV shows use dinner parties for comedy?
6. Do people behave differently when they are guests?
7. Are manners still important today?
8. What is worse: bad food, awkward silence or difficult conversation?

Answer Key

True/False: 1=T, 2=F, 3=T, 4=F, 5=T, 6=T, 7=F, 8=T

Phrase Match: 1=H, 2=D, 3=J, 4=B, 5=F, 6=A, 7=I, 8=C, 9=G, 10=E

Synonym Match: 1=C, 2=J, 3=E, 4=A, 5=H, 6=G, 7=D, 8=I, 9=B, 10=F

Example sentences with the phrases

1. We had a dinner party for six friends on Saturday.
2. The evening goes badly wrong after one rude comment.
3. The married couple try to make their guests feel welcome.
4. Their upstairs neighbours invite them over for dinner.
5. Everyone tries to be polite at first.
6. The meal becomes awkward when people start arguing.
7. Some guests feel uncomfortable in formal situations.
8. A bad joke can turn dinner into a social disaster.
9. Difficult conversations are sometimes necessary.
10. One strange comment can change the atmosphere.