Assignment 1

You don't have to turn in this assignment in writing, just think about the questions below and be prepared to discuss them during the lecture 10/2.

Imagine that you have become friends with an alien with no deeper knowledge about human culture or how we function. This alien has been invited to a birthday party and needs some tips on how to behave. Try to think of what it might need to know in order to understand the following:

Why do we have parties? How do they make people feel?

Why do we give gifts? What is their purpose?

Why are gifts gift-wrapped?