Kids' Birthday Party Planner

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Occasion:	
Theme:	
Date:	
RSVP by:	
Time:	
Location:	
	The Details
Main Colors	Characters
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Invitations	Thank you Notes
 □ Buy or create □ Address □ Mail/send to school □ Ideas: 	□ Buy or create □ Address □ Mail/send to school □ Ideas:

Guest List Check off box when invite sent, when RSVP received, when thank-you note sent **Kids/Guests** Guests' Parents/Siblings □ yes □no □? □TY □ yes □no □? □TY ☐ yes ☐no ☐? ☐TY KIDS TOTAL: **FAMILY TOTAL: TOTAL GUESTS:**

Food and Drinks	
Food/Drink Name	Needed Supplies and Ingredients/To Do
Main dish:	
Side:	
Side:	
Side:	
Snack:	
Snack:	
Snack:	
Drink:	
Drink:	
Cake/Cupcakes:	

Games/Activities		
Game/Activity Name	To Do	
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Fa	vors	
Favor	To Buy/To Do	

Decorations	
Decoration Name	To Do

	To Buy/Grocery List		
{****	Non-Food	Food	
	Plastic party platters		
	Cupcake liners and picks		
	(insert color) Tablecloths		
	Favor bags or cups		
	(insert color) Streamers		
	(insert color) Balloons		
	Food plates		
	Dessert plates		
	Napkins		
	Spoons, forks, knives		
	Serving spoons, forks, tongs		

} }	Day of Party To Do List
Category	To Do
□ Set up and clean	 □ Clean and set up chairs inside and outside chairs □ Clean patios □ Spray for bugs □ Get the kid to clean his room! □ Clean bathrooms, stock TP and towels, empty trash, put up signs directing people to the bathrooms □ Set up trash and recycling bins; label □ □ □ □
□ Decorations	 Put up last minute decorations: streamers, balloons, Happy Birthday banner, confetti, balloons on mailbox Image: Confetti of the property of the pro
□ Food	□ Prepare final menu items □ □ □
□ Drink	□ Prepare drinks □ Get ice, chill beverages □ □ □
□ Food Table	Put on table cloth Table deco
□ Dessert Table	
□ Other Tables and Chairs	□ Gift table? □ Crafts table? □ □
□ Music	□ Start playing music while you are preparing last-minute items □ □ □

Party Planning Timeline		
Time	To Do	
3+ Months Before	 □ Choose The Essentials □ Choose The Details □ Set a budget □ Create guest list □ Book party space, if not at your residence □ Hire entertainment, if applicable (face painter, performer, bounce house) □ Hire photographer, if applicable □ Order paper products and decorations, if applicable □ Start creating To Do List and Grocery List 	
2 Months Before	□ Plan menu □ Create games/activities □ Start buying party favors □ Start buying decorations □ Take inventory of what party supplies you have already □ Keep adding to To Do and Grocery Lists □ Start making the games, crafts, and decorations, if you are doing it yourself	
1 Month Before	 □ Order food, if applicable □ Order tables and chairs, if applicable □ Keep adding to To Do and Grocery Lists □ Keep working on games, crafts, and decorations, if you are doing it yourself 	
3 Weeks Before	□ Send out invitations □ Keep making games, crafts, and deco	
2 Weeks Before	 □ Keep making games, crafts, and deco □ Keep track of RSVPs □ 	
1 Week Before	 □ Purchase nonperishable food and drinks □ Keep track of RSVPs □ Contact people who have not RSVPed □ Make/assemble party favors □ Make timeline of events for the party, if applicable □ Confirm reservations with any performer, supplier, rental company, photographer, etc. 	
3 Days Before	 □ Give non-invited neighbors a head's up, especially if you are expecting lots of kids, lots of cars, and lots of noise □ Create a playlist of music □ Make room in the freeze and refrigerator □ Wash dishes and party platters, if applicable 	
2 Days Before	□ Buy perishable food □ Clean house □ Clean outside yard and patios	
I Day Before	 □ Prepare food □ Refrigerate drinks □ Decorate inside of house □ Set up games and activities, if applicable □ Set up tables and chairs □ 	