



**Capture Fun Angles.** Use your tiltable viewing screen to get unique shots. Shoot through a balloon, hide and take candid shots, even lay the camera on the floor to get footage of dangling feet at the table.



**Use Available Light.** If it's really dark, try bouncing a light off a wall so it won't overpower the scene. Many camcorders have a low light sensor that brings out as much of the existing light as possible.



**Focus On Faces.** Plan your shots according to where the action is going to take place. Remember, expressions tell the story, so focus on faces. Some camcorders have face and smile detection features.



**Capture Still Images During Video.** Many camcorders let you take digital still images while you are shooting video. You no longer have to carry around two cameras, so be creative.



**Be Prepared.** Always have charged batteries and an extra memory card or blank media ready to go.

## How to shoot a great birthday video.

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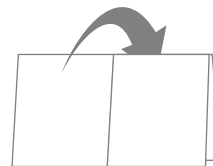


### Instructions:

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Cut out around outline



**Step 2:**  
Fold top half back



**Step 3:**  
Fold left side back