



Rituals

Rituals mark special events.

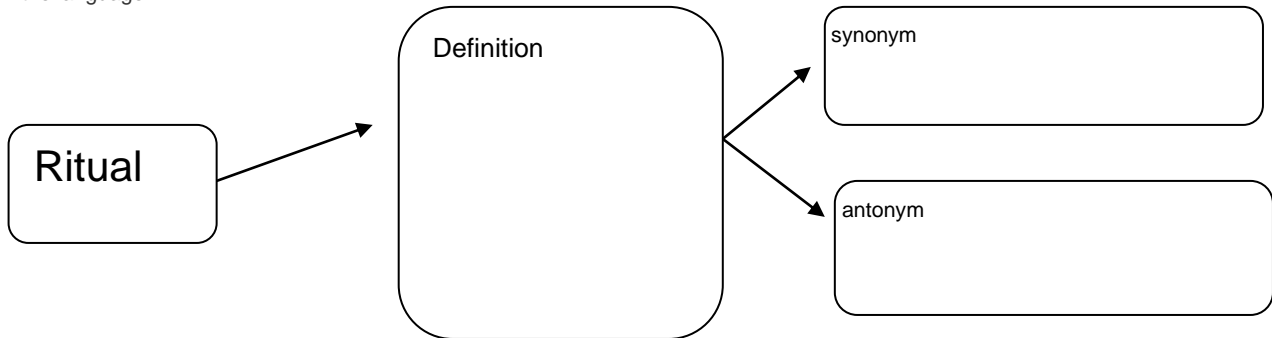
Rituals and symbols play a major role in any celebration.



Synonym: a word having the same or nearly the same meaning as another in the language.

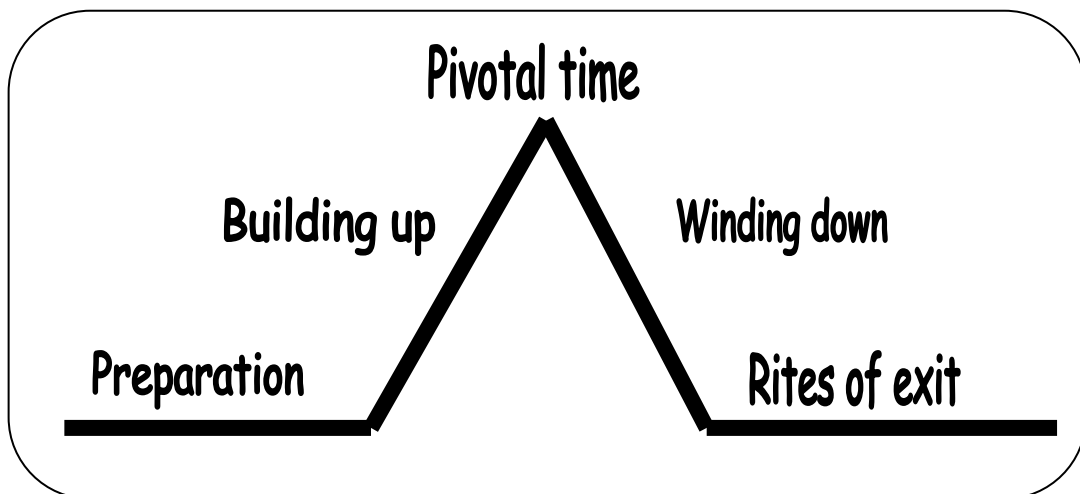


Antonym: a word opposite in meaning to another.



Use ritual in a sentence?

Ritual Structure



Rituals deal with the important moments of a person's life. For example, when a person is born, or when a person marries or dies.



Every ritual follows a basic structure.

Apply this structure to the Sacrament of Baptism.

Preparation:

_____ and _____ meet with the priest to organise and prepare themselves for the ritual.

Building up and gradual taking on of the holy:

Parents, godparents and friends _____ together in a church. Special _____ and _____ shared.

Pivotal time and action:

Parents, godparents and the child gather around the _____ where the child is given a _____ name and _____ is poured over the child's _____. The child is anointed with _____. A _____ is lit for the child.

Winding down:

Final _____ and prayers are recited.

Rites of exit and 'return to the ordinary':

Leaving of the ceremony and returning to _____ life. Usually, a _____ is celebrated with parents, godparents and friends.

blessing

candle

Christian

font

gather

godparents

head

meal

oil

ordinary

parents

prayers

readings

water



Solutions to Worksheet PLS-SA55 Rituals 2

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| Preparation: | parents and godparents meet with the priest to organise and prepare themselves for the ritual. |
| Building up and gradual taking on of the holy: | Parents, godparents and friends gather together in a church. Special prayers and readings shared. |
| Pivotal time and action: | Parents, godparents and the child gather around the font where the child is given a Christian name and water is poured over the child's head. The child is anointed with oil. A candle is lit for the child. |
| Winding down: | Final blessing and prayers are recited. |
| Rites of exit and 'return to the ordinary': | Leaving of the ceremony and returning to ordinary life. Usually, a meal is celebrated with parents, godparents and friends. |