

# What Makes a Birthday Child Cry

- Too much anticipation ahead of time.
- Too much confusion at the party.
- Too much attention focused on someone else.  
(Sibling, guest, clown, or magician.)
- Too many other children sharing their toys.  
(Put special toys away ahead of time.)
- Too many misconceptions.  
(that the birthday child will win every game;  
that everyone will do what he or she wants;  
that the birthday child will get  
all the attention.)

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