

## 01. Graduation Day

On this special day, our graduation day, we say goodbye to our elementary school. We are ready to go to junior high school. We will go to our graduation ceremony and take our final steps before we leave school for the last time. Every school may celebrate this day in a different way, but here are some things we do on that day.

Each graduate will give a teacher a red flower to pin on his or her clothing. The principal gets a red flower, too. It is a way for us to say thank you for their care and teaching. The teachers may give us their best wishes when we give them their flowers. Our homeroom teacher takes us on a final tour around the school. There are many memories of our classes and activities.

Then comes the graduation ceremony. We wait for the host to invite us into the ceremony. During this time, we will get our final elementary school awards and some gifts from people in our neighborhood and town. We might say a few words to our classmates, teachers, and families. One of us might even give a speech! In fact, many people might give speeches, such as our principal and our homeroom teacher. The whole grade sings our graduation song together. Someone will cry. Then, all too fast, it is over. We have graduated from elementary school!

After the ceremony, we go back to our classrooms. We clean out our desks to take everything home. We prepare the classroom for the new class. We won't come back to this room anymore. Our homeroom teacher gives us some final words of advice before we walk to the gate of the school. We leave elementary school for the last time.

We all face challenges in elementary school. We learn a lot. We see a lot. We do a lot. And now, when we go to junior high school, we will face more challenges. We know we will learn, see, and do so much more.