# **WHAT IS A QUINCEANERA? (EXPLAINED) Video Transcript**

(Quince Madrina) …a new venue for the girls and photography-

(Girl) Oh my goodness! Oh my goodness!

(Quince Madrina) Hi! Say hi! Hi guys.

[cheerful techno music]

(Quince Madrina) Hello everybody and welcome back! So lately I've been seeing some comments on

what a quinceanera is or maybe some traditions or aspects that make a

quinceanera and so today I've decided to make a video on what a quinceanera

really is.

History, ugh. Open your textbooks to page 15. I don't want to bore you guys

too much with history, but this tradition did start long ago. I'm talking about

centuries ago with our ancestors back in Mexico, (singing) Mexico, Mexico (speaking) sorry, where they would celebrate

with this ceremony where they would present these young girls to the

community pretty much telling them they're ready for motherhood and

marriage and all these things. Obviously, it's changed so much, so much. At some

point, the Spaniards came along, took over everything pretty much, and they

still kept this tradition going. They added on having a mass. So they added

religion into it and obviously it evolved throughout the years, but the

tradition kept on going, evolving with everything happening, and now it doesn't

necessarily mean that the girls are ready for marriage. They're maturing and

they're becoming young, respectful ladies now and so they celebrate with a big

party.

[Latin dance music]

That's how the quinceañera tradition has evolved from way back in days to now.

Obviously, there's been some traditions that some keep, some don't, and some have

made up throughout the years, such as the last doll, which is la ultima muñeca.

I've actually made a video about that, so if you want to check it, the link will be up here.

Then, there's the father and daughter dance, there's the change of shoes and so

on and so forth, but not every quinceanera celebrates it that way. It's

just some of us that do. With that being said, now back to the comments. When I was

reading and answering all your comments and your questions that you guys had

over at Quinceanera, I realized that a quinceanera really is a coming-of-age

celebration, but there's no rules or anything that says how you can celebrate

it. I think, personally, that a quinceanera… er, it doesn't matter how you celebrate your

quinceanera as long as you're with your loved ones and the people who really

care about you because at the end of the day, I mean, that's what it's really about,

not all those fancy things going on. I mean, obviously those are all just extras.

You don't necessarily have to go all out, mainly because not a lot of quinceanera's

have advantages of that. A lot of people have different beliefs, different

traditions depending where you came from, even limited budget. So you always have

to think about that. Like, I can have this big fiesta, but maybe somebody else can't

because she can't really afford it, so she's just comfortable with just having

a little get-together and that is totally fine that it's… That's still

considered a quinceanera and there's no right or wrong when doing so.

So I've decided to start doing something new and just to help you guys out and maybe

give you guys an extra like little feedback, I'm going to start answering

some of your guys's questions. So I'm gonna do a quick little Q&A. You guys can

always comment down below any questions, advise, or tips you might need for your

quinceanera and each week I will be answering them.

Well, only some. I'll try my best to get to all of you. So let's do this week's Q&A.

I am going to scroll through this. Let’s see… okay. So Alexandra Lopez asked, since I'm turning

14 in April, should I start planning right away for my quince, and my advice

to you is you should start as soon as possible, mainly because we do suggest

you start planning a quinceanera two years in advance. One year you just

can dedicate to research. Maybe you can see what services you'll like, what

services you won't like, and then your second year or your last year, you can

start actually booking some of your services. So, yes. Start right away.

Before we leave, I'm going to answer one more question.

Well, this one's from… MCRstop playingwithmyemotions?

MCRstop playingwithmyemotions asked, when should I start practicing my

surprise dance? My quince is in September. Thanks! Great vid though. I've heard all

of these at my family's quince parties.

Hello. So first of all, congratulations on your upcoming event. My answer to you is to

start four months in advance, well, all your dances four months in advance. Your

surprise dance usually takes two months, but that depends on how many songs

you'll use and your choreography and stuff like that. You should always check

and call a choreographer just to double-check and you can let him know

like what songs you'll be using so he can kind of give you like a better estimate. Yeah.

That's it. Remember, keep on commenting down below and I'll be more than happy

to answer you guys's questions. If I don't say them here, then I always reply to

you guys on the comments so just ask away and anything that you guys are

having trouble with, I will help you. Now that's what I think this quinceanera is,

but obviously everybody has their own opinions and thoughts, so if you

celebrate your quinceanera any other way and I didn't mention it, please comment

down below. I love hearing your stories and questions or any advice that you

guys have. Before we leave, I also want to mention that I already

made my Instagram page, so you guys can always check me out @QuinceMadrina.

I have a lot of behind-the-scenes going on and a lot of other cool stuff that I

don't necessarily put up here, so follow me on Instagram, and with that being said,

that will complete today's vlog. Thank you so much for watching. Don't forget to

like, share, comment, and subscribe for more helpful quince videos.

I'll see you guys soon.

[Upbeat music]

(Girl) Quince Madrina! Oh my god! Oh my god!

(Quince Madrina) Hi, how are you guys doing?

(Girl) Can we take a picture? (Quince Madrina) Of course, let's do it!

So, we are going to take a picture real quick.

(Girl) Oh my! I love you so much!

(Quince Madrina) Thank you. I'll see you guys around? Ok! Bye guys!