## confetti

con·fetti BrE [kən'feti] NAmE [kən'feti] noun uncountable

small pieces of coloured paper that people often throw at weddings over people who have just been married, or (in the US) at other special events

Word Origin:

[confetti] early 19th cent. (originally denoting the real or imitation sweets thrown during Italian carnivals): from Italian, literally sweets, from Latin confectum 'something prepared', neuter past participle of conficere 'put together', from con- 'together' + facere 'make'.

Example Bank:

Confetti showered down on the newly-weds.

· The winning team was showered with confetti.

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[Date: 1800-1900; Language: Italian; Origin: plural of confetto 'candy', from Latin conficere; because candy was thrown at Italian street celebrations]

small pieces of coloured paper that you throw into the air overpeople who have just got married or at events such as parties, †parades etc

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