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### Life at Google: Organizational Culture

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Late one night, a group of excited people congregated in the office of Larry Page, co-founder of Google, over a bottle of champagne. Around 80 people came to watch the event from outside, curious about what was going on. The event was the signing of the AOL contract that was the culmination of months of hard work.



#### Transcript

So I wanted to just give you an idea of what life is like at Google and this is actually a very recent event. You could see there is a bunch of excited people there and one guy who I met with. You see right in the middle? Do you see him? Anyone guess what this is based on recent events that might have happened at Google? Oh, an AOL deal? Yes. So this is actually the signing of our AOL deal and I just wanted to sort of give you guys a feel for what life is like and in fact this is late one night at nine pm there is a bunch of AOL people and Google people in this picture and they have worked on this for a long time. You could see the contractor is about to sip and there's some champagne that's on. Actually these guys sort of showed up in my office at nine pm to sign the contract and I have no idea that they're going to be in my office and about 80 people showed up outside to sort of watch this because there was people hanging around and they thought it was interesting that there is this big event going on.