

# It's Christmas time!



How do the British celebrate Xmas?



#### CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

- Every year in December we celebrate the birthday of Jesus Christ: It's Xmas time!
- How do people in Britain celebrate this holiday?
- They send Christmas cards.
- They watch nativity plays.
- There have big family get-togethers.



### **CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS**

People sing special songs called Christmas carols:

Silent Night
Jingle Bells
White Christmas
We Wish You a Merry Christmas



 Children write their Santa List and they create snowmen in their gardens.



#### **CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS**

- What do people say when it's Christmas time?
- MERRY CHRISTMAS!
- MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- HAPPY CHRISTMAS!
- SEASON'S GREETINGS!

#### **ADVENT**

Advent is the time of waiting for the arrival of Christmas. During Advent preparations for Christmas begin:

People decorate their homes with ornaments and mistletoe!

Kissing under the mistletoe is a tradition!!



These calendars have chocolates for the children hidden behind each window!!!



- CHRISTMAS EVE

  It is the day before Christmas Day. It is the night when Father **Christmas** comes! Children hang up **stockings** above the fireplace
- Father Christmas and his elves make all the toys in his workshop in the North Pole.
- Then he flies around the world in a sleigh pulled by eight





CHRISTMAS DAY

This is the favourite day for children.

They wake up very early in the morning to open the presents!

- Children find their presents under the Christmas tree.
- How do the British decorate their Christmas trees?









- People decorate their Christmas Trees with:
  - Bells
  - Candles
  - Lights
  - Tinsels
  - Baubles
  - Ornaments
  - Candy canes
  - A star or an angel at the very top of the tree
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#### CHRISTMAS EVE



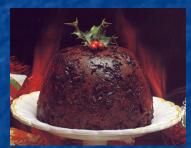
- Rudolph is the red-nosed reindeer!
- Children leave mince pies, brandy, cookies, hot chocolate or milk for Santa and carrots for the reindeer!
- Santa goes down the chimney to leave the presents or the
   Coal!



#### CHRISTMAS DAY

- Both parents and children gather together to unwrap the presents.
- Later the whole family sits down for Christmas dinner.
- What does a traditional Christmas dinner include?
  - Roast turkey
  - Roast potatoes
  - Cranberry sauce
  - For dessert they have rich fruity pudding which you douse in brandy. Christmas puddings usually include raisins, nuts and cherries.
  - Gingerbread is alஓபூழுக்கிallardo Navas 2007









#### CHRISTMAS DAY



- Do you know what a cracker is?
- A Christmas cracker is a coloured paper tube which contains a banger.
- When two people pull the cracker it snaps in half making a loud bang.
- Inside the cracker there are paper crowns, jokes or little gifts.
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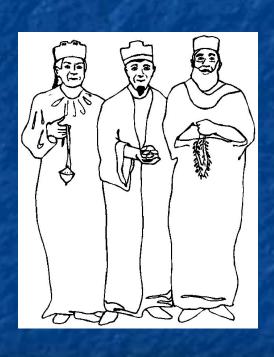
#### **BOXING DAY**

- Boxing Day is celebrated on December 26, the day after Christmas
- On Boxing Day people in Britain play sports. Football and horse racing are the most popular activities.
- Shops sell their Christmas inventory at reduced prices!
- And families gather together again, go for a walk, watch football matches together, go shopping...
- The origins:
- English families boxed up Christmas leftovers. Then they gave them to poor families and churches for charity.
- The tradition still continues today! Employers give extra money to their employees and schools across the country send their Christmas Boxes full of gifts to poorer countries.

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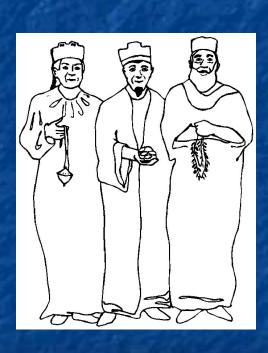
## And... what about these Three Kings???



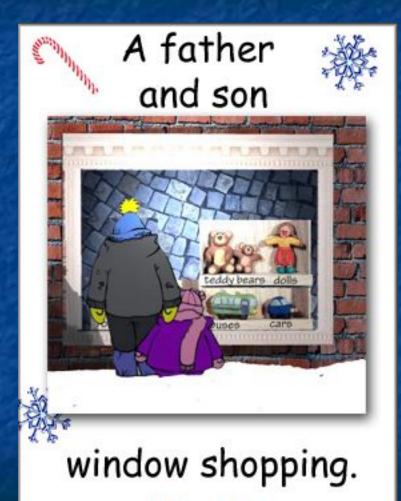
- On the Twelfth Night families remove all the Christmas decorations, so as not to bring bad luck upon the home!!!
- It is on the 5th January.
- British people don't celebrate the Reyes Magos the way we do, but they are considered part of the whole Christian

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#### The Three Wise Men



- The Three Wise Men or Three Kings, as they are called in Britain (Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar), followed the Star of Bethlehem and gave gifts to Jesus Christ.
- What kind of gifts?
  - Gold
  - Frankincense
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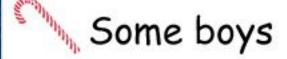
A girl





hanging up a stocking.

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opening presents.

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Santa Claus 🧍



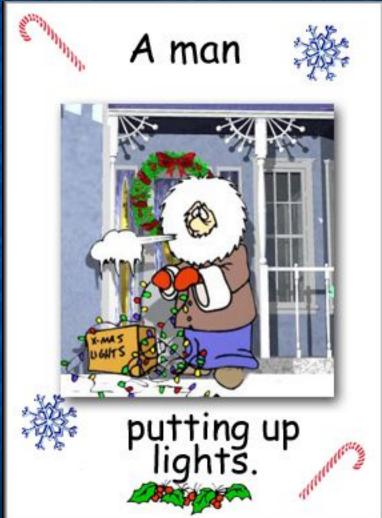


checking his list.



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#### Elves





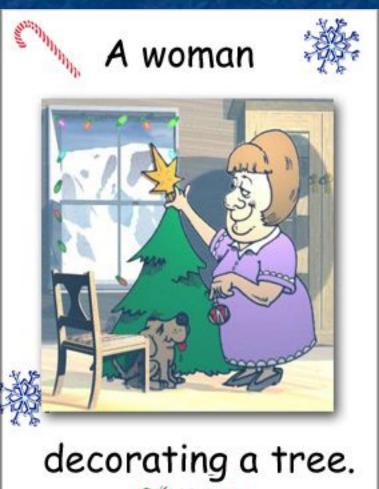
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Santa Claus





eating cookies and milk.





A father and daughter



bringing home a Christmas tree.

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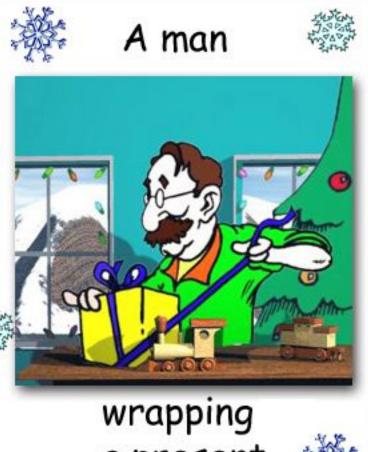




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A young couple

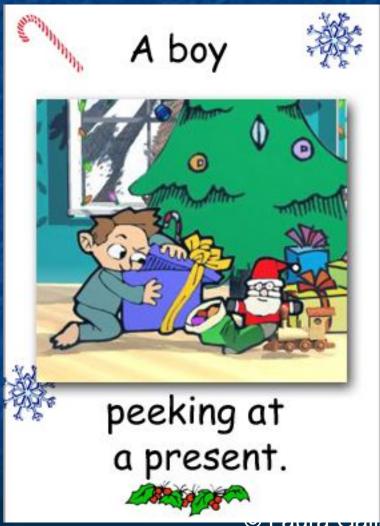




about to kiss under the mistletoe.



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sitting on Santa's lap.



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Now... let's have some fun!!!

- This word starts with a "W." It is the season of the year in which Christmas is celebrated. What is it called?
- Winter
- This word starts with an "S." It is a fluffy white form of water that sometimes falls in cold parts of the world during winter. What is it called?
- Snow

- This word starts with an "S." It is a character that you can make out of snow. What is it called?
- Snowman
- This word starts with a "P." Christmas is a time for giving. This is another word for a gift. What is this other word?
- Present

- This word starts with a "T." Most children hope to get some of these for Christmas. What are they?
- Toys
- This word starts with a "T." This is a symbol of Christmas. Some people put one of these in their house and decorate it with ornaments, lights and angels. What is it?
- Tree

- This word starts with an "N." This cold, far-away area is where Santa lives. What is it called?
- North Pole
- This word starts with a "G." These decorated cookies are made in the shape of little people. What are they called?
- Gingerbread

- This word starts with an "R." These animals pull Santa's sleigh. What are they called?
- Reindeers
- This word starts with a "C." Many people send these paper items to their friends and family at Christmas time. What is one of these called?
- Card

	Hello! My name's Charlene and I'm going to tell you about the way we Christmas in my family.
•	celebrate
•	My mother likes to Christmas cards to everyone!!
	send
•	She the Nativity plays represented at my sister's school.
÷	watches
	My little sister Mary loves Christmas carols but unfortunately she too well.
•	doesn't sing
	She always sings "We you a Merry Christmas"
	wish
	celebrate wish watch sing send © Laura Gallardo Navas 2007

•	My mother always that Christmas is a very special celebration.
•	says
	I usually Christmas cards to my
	friends because they are too expensive!
	don't / write
	In my city it generally to snow some time before
	Christmas, so little children snowmen in their
	gardens.
	begins / create
	The mistletoe is very important here in my country.
ē	you also under the mistletoe in
	your country?
	do / kiss
•	
	create say kiss write begin © Laura Gallardo Navas
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•	My grandfather always a Christmas Tree for and then we decorate it at home.	us
•	buys	
•	The most important day for everyone is Christmas Day. \ up our stockings above the fireplace and \( \) crackers!	
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•	My sister still believes that Santa around world in his sleigh. She thinks that the reindeers	tne
	the sleigh and that Santa actually down	the
	chimney and leaves her the presents!!!	
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i	She who Santa really is!	
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#### And remember...!!!!

On Thursday 20th December Father Christmas comes to El Puerto de Santa María !!!

The school invites you to a party to celebrate Christmas together!

You will be able to taste mince pies, pudding...

... des chocolats, des truffes au chocolat, et la Bûche française!

Y por supuesto no faltarán mantecados y polvorones para los que tengan un paladar más clásico...

So... see you...

On Thursday the 20th at 7 pm!!!