

# Christmas: customs and traditions



# Christmas tongue twisters



Santa's sleigh slides on slick snow.  
Tiny Timmy trims the tall tree with tinsel.  
Bobby brings bright bells.  
Chilly chipper children cheerfully chant.

# Answer the questions:

1. What do you know about Christmas?

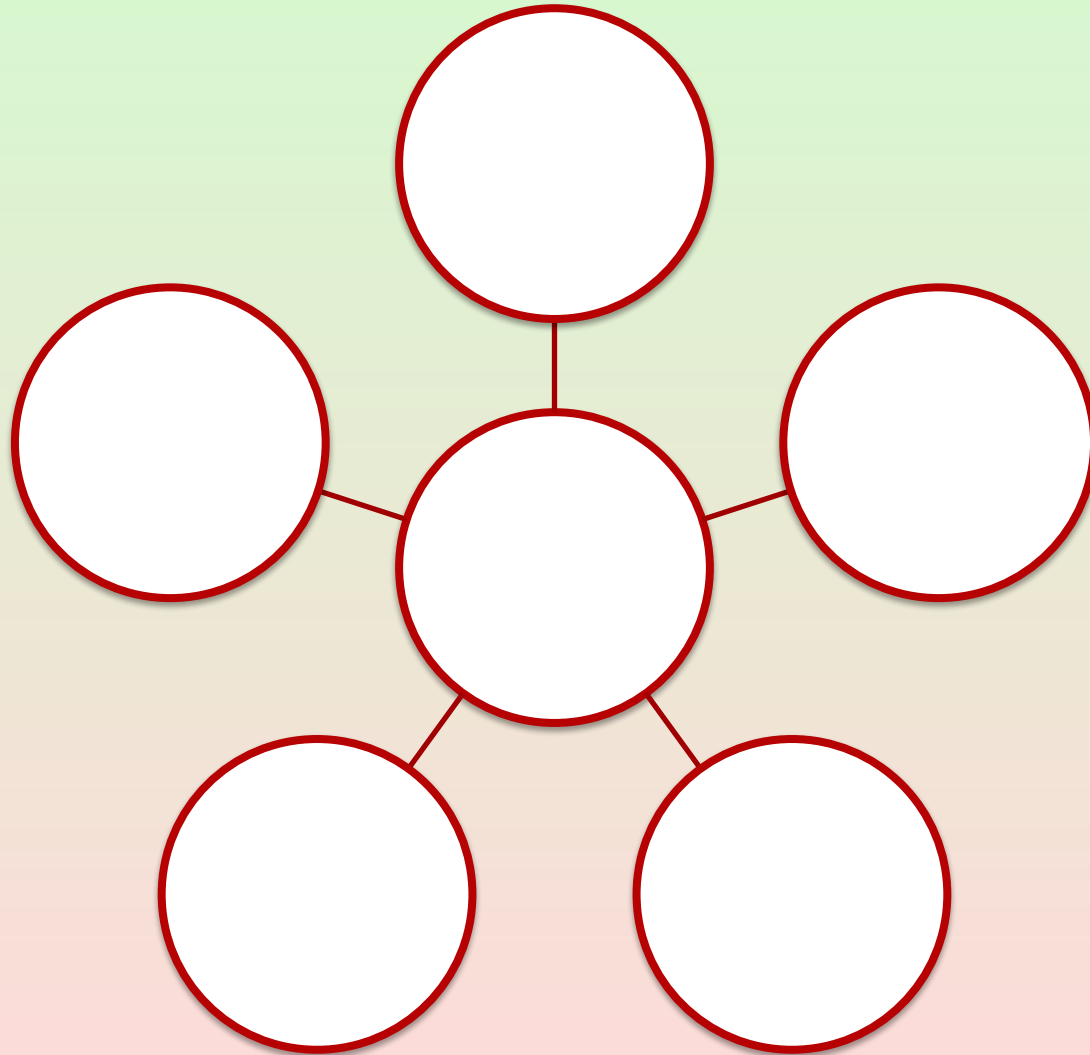




## 2. What traditional Christmas meals do you know ?



# Christmas Associations





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- Turkey, pudding, pumpkin pie, vegetables.
- Santa Clause, holiday, Christmas tree, birch tree.
- Christmas pudding, Easter, ring, horseshoe.
- Trousers, stockings, presents, socks.
- 23rd December, 24th December, 25th December, 26th December.
- Christmas Eve, Boxing Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas.



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<b>No</b>	<b>Titles</b>	<b>Number of the picture</b>
1	Christmas Stockings	3
2	Christmas Pudding	5
3	Holly	7
4	Robin	9
5	Christmas tree	1
6	Candles and Crackers	6
7	Father Christmas (Santa Claus)	4
8	Christmas Card	2
9	Waits and Carol	8



# Silent night

Silent night, holy night!  
All is calm, all is bright.  
Round you Virgin, Mother and child,  
Holy Infant so tender and mild,  
Sleep in heavenly peace.



Silent night, holy night!  
Shepherds quake at the sight.  
Glory streams from Heaven afar.  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia  
Christ the Saviour is born,  
Christ the Saviour is born.

Silent night, holy night!  
Son of God, Love's pure light.  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face,  
With the dawn of redeeming grace,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth.

# Colours of Christmas



The colours most closely associated with the Christmas season are:  
**red**, **white** and **green**.

Some say that this is because of the red and green plants of wintertime contrasting with the white snow.





Red



means **love** and reflects our warmth and love for each other. It is also the colour that is considered the greatest excitement. As a religious symbol it stands for **fire**, **blood**, and **charity**.

# Green



means hope and the eternal longing for spring and all the promises of the future.

**Green** is the symbol of nature, youth, and the hope of eternal life.





# White



means purity and is represented by the crystalline form of water and the snowflake.



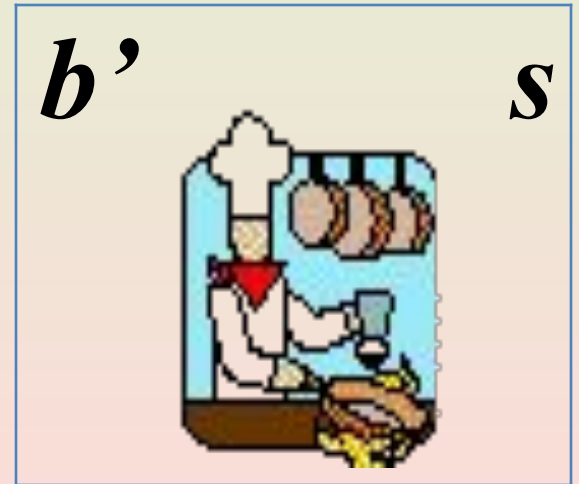
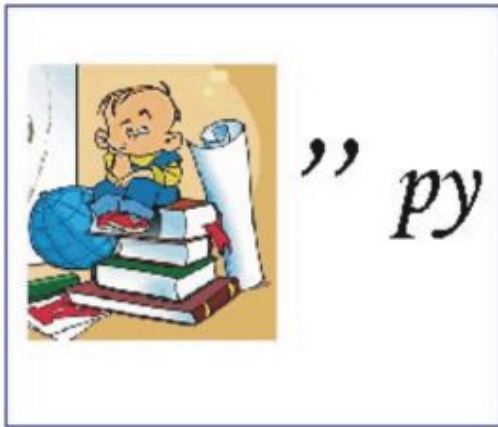
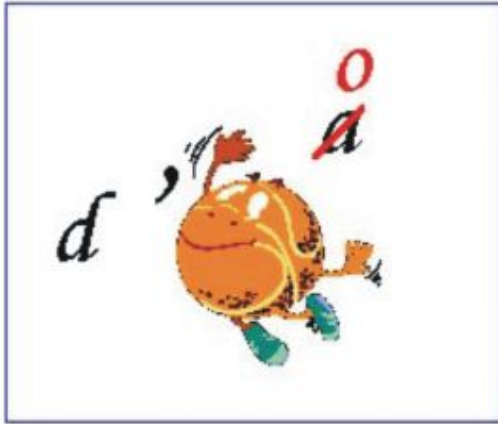
White is the religious symbol which stands for light, purity, joy and glory.



# Group 1:

# Group 2:

# Group 3:





# Christmas quiz

1. When was Christmas first celebrated?

**Around 100 AD**

**In the 4th Century**

**1935**



## 2. Where did the Christmas tree tradition originate?

Germany

Israel

New England



3. Who probably was the first man to illuminate a Christmas tree with candles?

**Pope John I**

**Martin Luther**

**St. Nicolas**





1. What do you like/don't like to do at Christmas?
2. How do you celebrate Christmas in your family?
3. What gifts do you usually prepare for your friends and relatives?
4. Do you enjoy making greetings cards to their friends and family?

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*In my opinion...*

*From my point of view...*

*It seems to me...*

*There is no doubt...*

*First of all.....*

*Because I'm fond of ....*

*It's important for me...*

*Then.....*





*Merry  
Christmas*