

❶ ❷ December 25 is Christmas. Christmas is both a national holiday and a religious holiday. Christmas remember (1) of Jesus Christ on Christmas. Many non-Christians celebrate it, too.

The Christmas season starts after Thanksgiving, in (2) November. Christmas is a time for giving presents to friends, family and poor people. Churches, businesses and other groups give money, food and toys to (3) families.

Some people make gifts, but most people (4) presents in stores. Stores get very crowded around Christmas. There are shoppers everywhere ! Stores have beautiful decorations (5) Christmas colors of red and green.

Many people decorate their homes (6) Christmas. They buy trees and decorate them (7) electric lights and ornaments. Some people put electric lights (8) their houses. (9) Christmas, neighborhoods are beautiful with many bright Christmas lights.

Jewish people have a Festival of Lights in December. For 8 days, Jewish people (10) candles and give gifts. This festival, Hanukkah, is a joyful holiday.

1. A. the birth	B. the death	C. the Crucifixion	D. the Passion
2. A. lately	B. latter	C. latest	D. late
3. A. need	B. needy	C. needing	D. needed
4. A. sell	B. give	C. buy	D. bring
5. A. with	B. in	C. of	D. by
6. A. at	B. in	C. on	D. when
7. A. by	B. with	C. on	D. for
8. A. insides	B. beside	C. outsides	D. outside
9. A. In	B. To	C. At	D. On
10. A. light	B. lighten	C. lit	D. lighted