



Christmas Attractions Across America

based on a story by Caty Weaver and Ashley Thompson

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The main Christmas attraction in New York City is the Christmas tree outside

- the Statue of Liberty
- the Rockefeller Center
- the Empire State Building

It has been lit during a public ceremony in late _____ since 1933.

Large department stores put up ornate window displays along the famous shopping area of

- Fifth Avenue
- Fifth Street
- Fifth Avenue

What do the police have to use to set up controlled lines for the window viewing?

The Miracle on 34th street decorations display in Baltimore, Maryland is a reference to a famous American

- film
- song
- book

It opened with an official lighting ceremony on _____ and will continue through the holidays.

Every December, City Park in New Orleans, Louisiana becomes a winter wonderland with more than 10 hectares of light displays visited by more than _____ people.

Restaurants offer Reveillon dinners which are large meals eaten after _____ on Christmas Eve.

The French word Reveillon means

- awakening
- revealing
- eating



The world's largest Santa statue in the small Alaskan town called _____.

Christmas decorations are put up in late autumn.

- Yes
- No

Visitors can slide down _____ and work their way through complex _____.

The city of Indianapolis, Indiana is famous for its yearly Indy 500

- horse race
- car race
- cycling race

Visitors are permitted to drive their own cars on the _____.

Why is Olvera Street in Los Angeles, California important?

- It is the longest street in the city.
- It is the most elegant street in the city.
- It is the oldest street in the city.

The traditional Mexican festival Las Posadas lasts _____ days and is one of the city's oldest Christmas events.

The Spanish word "Posada" means

- a place to hide
- a position in an office, a job
- a type of restaurant

Grand Canyon Railway in _____ brings to life the classic children's book "Polar Express," by Chris Van Allsburg. The train travels for

- an hour
- half an hour
- an hour and a half

At the end of the ride each child receives one a small _____ as a gift.

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