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SKILL

Identify and use reading strategies to make informative texts comprehensible and meaningful. (Example: previewing, reading for main ideas and details, using structural and context clues.) EFL 5.3.2.

WEEKLY OBJECTIVE: At the end of this lesson the students will be able to understand the true value and importance of Christmas.

TOPIC: READING COMPREHENSION- CHRISTMAS

ANTICIPATION

A. Look at the video and answer the following questions.

- What does Christmas commemorate? _____
- Where was Jesus born? _____
- Who ordered the massacre of all the children? _____
- Who officially declared that the birth of Jesus is celebrated on December 25? _____

VIDEO

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dl1mQYOP9jA>

CONSTRUCTION

B. Choose the correct answer

1. We usually have _____ at Christmas.

- a pudding
- a cake
- a pie



2. _____ brings us a lot of presents.

- Mr Frost
- Santa Claus
- Santa Brown



3. Santa Claus comes to us on his _____.

- car
- skies
- sleigh



4. We also put a beautiful _____ in our house.

- birch tree
- Christmas tree
- apple tree



5. We always decorate the Christmas tree with _____.

- candles and sweets
- nuts and candles
- lights and balls.



6. We always put our _____ on the fireplace.

- socks
- stocking
- gloves



7. We also decorate our house with branches of _____.

- holly
- flowers
- trees



8. Rudolph is the name of Santa's favourite _____.

- bird
- dog
- reindeer



9. Our parents put a lot of _____ under the Christmas tree.

- books
- balls
- presents



10. Our parents always hang _____ on the door.

- a portrait
- a wall paper
- a wreath



11. We light the _____ in our house.

- candles
- lamps
- torches



12. Children often build _____ in the street.

- snowballs
- snowflakes
- a snowman



C. Read the passage and answer:

Preparing for Christmas!



Santa Claus **was** very busy lately. He **was preparing** lots of toys for all the girls and boys in the whole world. He **read** each and every letter carefully. Then he **gathered** his hardworking elves in his neat and comfortable workshop. There he **planned** out well the work to be **carried** out. The elves **worked** hard. They **made** such lovely toys. While everyone **worked** hard, Santa **fed** the reindeer and **cleaned** their stables. Each stable **had** a name on it:

Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen and Rudolf.

Answer the following questions:

1. Who was very busy?
2. Why was he busy?
3. What did he do?
4. Who else worked in his workshop?
5. What did he clean?
6. Mention the reindeer names?
7. Did you write a wish list for Christmas?
8. What would you like for Christmas?

Fill in with was or were:

1. He _____ very busy.
2. The reindeer _____ comfortable in their stables.
3. The elves _____ singing.



The shaded words are in the past tense:

Now work these in the past tense:

- 1) The elf _____ (work) hard.
- 2) The reindeer _____ (kick) hard.
- 3) Santa _____ (smile) at the elves.
- 4) The elf _____ (pick) up the toys.
- 5) The children _____ (look) at the Christmas tree.
- 6) Mum _____ (bake) a Christmas cake.
- 7) Dad _____ (fill) the bowl with candy canes.

Give the past tense to these verbs:

push, pull, wave, jump, call, skip, roll.

Resources: computer, mobile phone, internet, portfolio folder, sheets. Teachers, parents

Did you know?

Christmas is **an annual festival commemorating the birth of Jesus Christ**, observed primarily on December 25 as a religious and cultural celebration among billions of people around the world.

Remember

Christmas is important to many Christians because it reminds them that: **Jesus, the Son of God, came to Earth for all people**, symbolised through the visits of the wise men and the shepherds. Mary and Joseph both had a strong faith in God, despite the difficulties they faced.

Curious fact...

Amazing Christmas Facts for Children

Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. ...

Christmas trees were first used by ancient Egyptians and Romans. ...

The term 'Xmas' simply means Christmas. ...

Santa Claus was known as Sinterklaas in Dutch. ...

Santa Claus did not always dress up in red clothes.

Relationship with values

Solidarity

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