



TO CAROL (From the french *carole*): to sing in a joyful manner.

instructions: Write down the meanings, listen to the songs and put the words where they belong

When we think of Christmas, there are many things that come to mind, like delicious food, opening presents and feeling very chilly!

One thing that many people look forward to is singing Christmas carols. But why do we sing them and where did they come from?

When did we start singing carols?

The idea of celebrating in December with special songs has many hundreds of years - even before Jesus was born. But of course they didn't call them Christmas carols then, because Christmas didn't exist!

In Roman times, when it was dark and cold, people used to cheer up with a winter festival called the Saturnalia. It was a long, noisy party, with lots of wild dancing and singing.

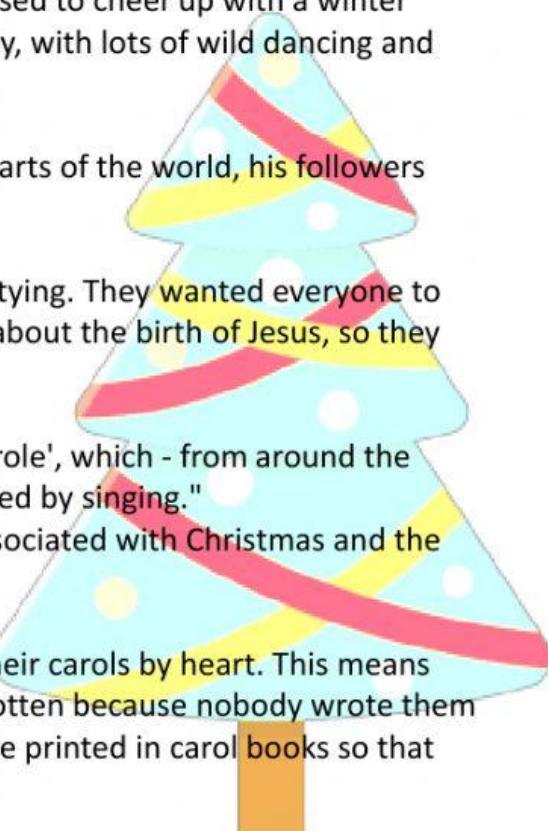
After Jesus was born and his teachings got to many parts of the world, his followers wanted to encourage everyone to become Christian.

But they didn't approve of all of this noisy winter partying. They wanted everyone to celebrate the Christian message properly by singing about the birth of Jesus, so they put new Christian words to the old favourite songs.

The word 'carol' comes from the old French word 'carole', which - from around the mid-1100s - meant a popular circle dance accompanied by singing."

By the late Middle Ages, carols had become more associated with Christmas and the nativity.

Many people couldn't read or write, so they learnt their carols by heart. This means that some of the oldest carols have been lost or forgotten because nobody wrote them down. But, luckily, many of them did survive and were printed in carol books so that we have them to sing today.





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Oh, come all ye _____
 _____ and triumphant
 Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem
 Sing choirs of angels
 Sing in _____
 Sing, all ye senders of the _____ above

Oh, come all ye faithful
 Joyful and triumphant
 Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem

Yeah, _____, we greet you
 Born that happy morning
 Jesus, to you be all glory given
 Word of the Father
 Now _____ appearing

Oh, come let us _____ Him (x2)
 Oh, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

Oh, come all ye faithful
 Joyful and triumphant
 Oh, come ye, oh, come ye to Bethlehem
 Come and behold Him
 _____ the King of Angels
 Oh, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

Oh, come let us adore Him (x2)
 Oh, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

Oh, come all ye faithful
 Joyful and triumphant (x4)

Oh, come let us adore Him (x2)
 Oh, come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord

faithful	adore
in flesh	joyful
exultation	heaven
Lord	Born



I wish it was Christmas today!



By Julian Casablancas



I don't care what the _____ say

Christmas time is near!

I don't care what anyone says

Christmas is full of _____

All I know is that Santa's sleigh

Is making its way to the U.S.A.

I wish it was Christmas today (x5)

All I know is that Santa Claus

Don't care about breaking or applying _____

I wish it was, I wish it was

Wish it was, wish it was, oh

I don't care about anything else

Christmas is almost here

And I don't care what the _____ said

Christmas is full of cheer

I don't care about anything

Except hearing those _____ bells a-ring-a-ding-ding

I wish it was Christmas today

In the good old U-S of A

I wish it was Christmas today (x5)

Santa's bringing _____ to the boys and girls

In every _____ and _____ of this crazy-ass world

I want it, I want it

I want it, I want it

nook	newsman
laws	neighbors
goodies	cheer
sleigh	cranny





ALONE ON Christmas Day

By Phoenix

When you find for some sad reason
You're alone this Christmas season
And the joys of home grow _____
Just like a memory's distant _____

When your love and you are parted
And all Christmas cheer _____
It's sad I say, when you're away
From love on Christmas Day

Why the sadness (gotta move on)
When there should be _____ (keep moving on)
All you can do is keep moving on
Time is _____ (you gotta move on)
Pain soon has its ending (keep moving on)
Know in your heart it soon will _____



Whether _____ the lonely highway
Or jetting miles high through some skyway
When you've reached your destination
Awaiting baggage at the station

When you see some happy greeters
It can make you _____
But still for real, it's sad to feel
Alone on Christmas Day

Why the sadness (gotta move on)
When there should be gladness
All you can do is keep moving on
Time is mending (you've got to move on)
Pain soon has its ending (keep moving on)
Know in your heart it soon will be gone.

cruising	departed
be gone	dimmer
glimmer	mending
gladness	bitter / sweeter





By The Kinks

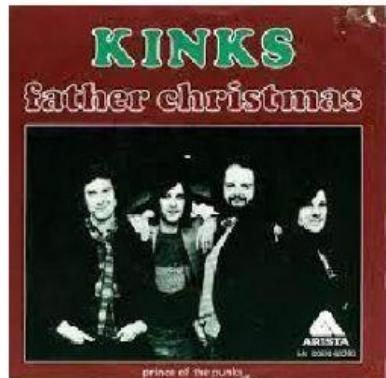
When I was four, I believed in Santa Claus
 Though I knew it was my dad
 And I would hang up my _____ at Christmas
 Open my presents and I'd be glad

But the last time I played Father Christmas
 I stood outside a department store
 A gang of kids came over and _____ me
 And knocked my _____ to the floor

They said
 Father Christmas, give us the _____
 Don't mess around with those silly toys
 We'll beat you up if you don't hand it over
 We want your bread so don't make us _____
 Give all the toys to the little rich boys
 Don't give my brother a Steve Austin outfit
 Don't give my sister a cuddly toy
 We don't want a _____ or monopoly money
 We only want the real McCoy (chorus)

But give my daddy a job 'cause he needs one
 He's got lots of mouths to feed
 But if you've got one, I'll have a machine gun
 So I can scare all the kids down the street (chorus)

Have yourself a _____, merry Christmas
 Have yourself a good time
 But remember the kids who got '
 While you're drinking down your wine



stocking	nothing
money	jigsaw
reindeer	annoyed
merry	mugged





The sun's been hiding
The streets are grey
The rain has been falling down
Seems everyone _____
For Christmas in London Town

It reminds me each time I _____
I'm _____ to be back home

I'm _____ of a White Christmas
Just like the ones we used to know
Where the tree tops _____
And children listen
To hear, _____ in the snow

I'm dreaming of a White Christmas
With every Christmas card I write
May your days be _____ and bright
And may all your Christmases be white

I'm dreaming of a White Christmas
Just like the ones we used to know
Where the tree tops glisten
And we all listen
To the Evening Session with Lammo

I'm dreaming of a White Christmas
With every Christmas card I write
May your days be merry and _____
And may all your Christmases be white



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glisten	merry
bright	wears a frown
sleighbells	roam
longing	dreaming

