

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!

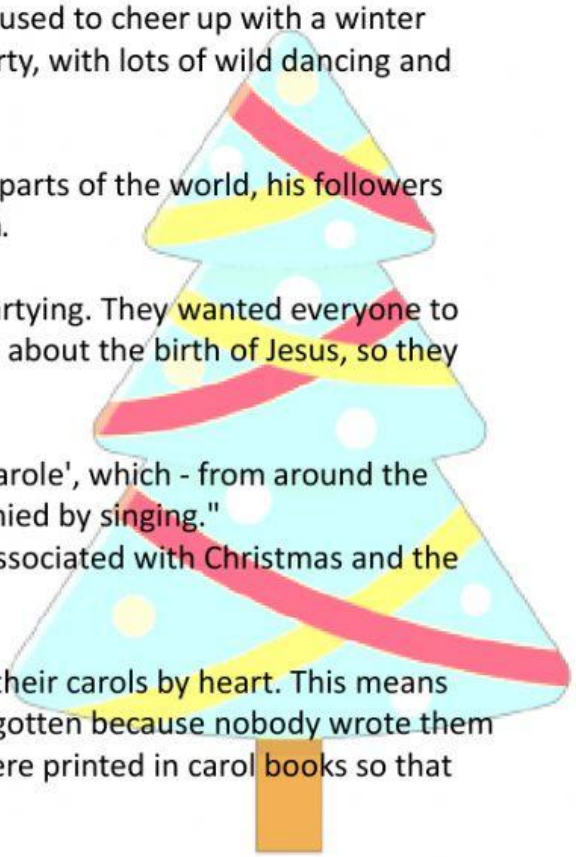
In Roman times, when it was dark and cold, people used to cheer up with a winter festival called the Saturnalia. It was a long, noisy party, with lots of wild dancing and singing.

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 of 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.



LIVEWORKSHEETS





Cover by Twisted Sister

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



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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

nook	newsman
laws	neighbors
goodies	cheer
sleigh	cranny

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



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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



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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

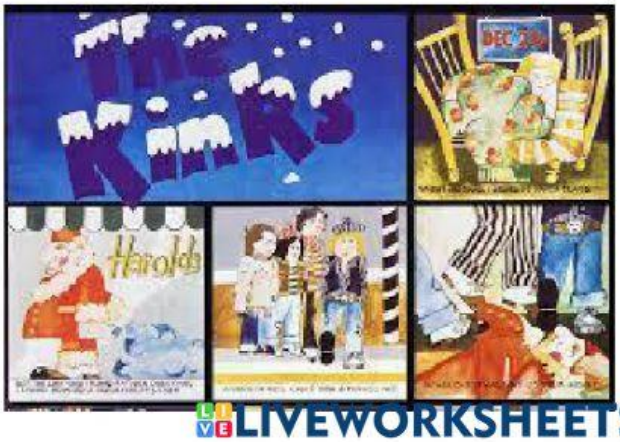
They said
Father Christmas, give us the _____
Don't mess around with those silly toys
We'll beat you up if you don't hand it over
We want your bread so don't make us _____
Give all the toys to the little rich boys

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



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Cover by Keane

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

glisten	merry
bright	wears a frown
sleighbells	roam
longing	dreaming



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