



What's Christmas? When is it? What are the traditions?

Christmas is an annual celebration originally for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. People celebrate Christmas on the _____ of December. Sometimes "Xmas" is also used. Christmas Eve is on the _____ of December. It is the day before Christmas.

During the Christmas season, people decorate their houses. Shops and cities are also decorated. They generally decorate a Christmas _____ too with baubles, tinsel and lights. Red, gold and green are often associated with Christmas. Each family has their traditions. Some people decorate their tree others it is the fairies that come. Some people count the days until Christmas with an advent _____. Others have an elf on the shelf.



Christmas is a very magical celebration. Children's _____ are brought by Father Christmas known also as S_____ in the USA. Father Christmas lives in the _____ with his wife, his elves and his reindeer. The names of his _____ are Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen and Rudolph.

Father Christmas travels through the sky on a _____ that is pulled by his reindeer, he comes into houses down the _____ at night and places presents for the children in stockings or bags by their beds, in front of the family Christmas tree, or by the fire place.

On Christmas day, families get together to spend time together. People receive presents and share a meal. Before eating, British people pull a _____. Christmas Crackers are short cardboard tubes wrapped in colorful paper. When the crackers are pulled - with a bang! - a colorful party hat, a toy or gift and a festive joke falls out! In the United Kingdom, traditionally, British people eat a roast meal. It is composed of roast meat (turkey, chicken, pork or beef), roast potatoes, vegetables, Yorkshire puddings or stuffing, bread sauce, cranberry sauce and gravy. Traditionally, British people eat Christmas pudding for dessert.

