

Christmas in Canada

People in Canada send Christmas Cards to their friends and family.

Many Canadians open their gifts on Christmas Eve. Some only open their stocking on Christmas Eve. Others choose one gift to open, then save the rest until Christmas Day.

Canadians like to decorate their houses with Christmas Trees, lights and other decorations. They hang their stockings by the fireplace because children believe that Santa Claus will fill them with gifts!

The main Christmas meal is often roast turkey with vegetables and 'all the trimmings' like mashed potatoes and vegetables. Traditional favourite Christmas desserts include Christmas/plum puddings and mincemeat tarts. Christmas crackers are popular with many people in Canada as well. A rich fruit Christmas Cake is also normally eaten around Christmas time!

Going skiing, skating and tobogganing are also popular if there's snow at Christmas!

Canadian children also believe in Santa Claus. Canadians are especially proud to say that their country is the home of Santa Claus.

Questions:

1. When do Canadians open their gifts?
2. Where do they hang their stockings?
3. What do Canadians eat as their Christmas meal?
4. What are some fun activities they do?
5. Who is the person who gives gifts to Canadian children?