Then we have a special custom. After midnight, the first visitor to the house gives us presents, usually shortbreads or coal for good luck. I love Hogmanay because all our friends and family come together and it's a great start to the New Year!

Hogmanay is a Scottish New Year festival which lasts for three days. Scottish people celebrate Hogmanay at the end of December and the beginning of January.

In Edinburgh, Scotland's capital, Hogmanay begins with a torchlight parade on December 30. It's an important time for family and friends. It's a time to say "goodbye" to the old year and welcome the new year.

In my family, before Hogmanay we always clean and decorate the house. Then in the evening we have a big party. At midnight we stand in a circle and sing Auld Lang Syne. It's a song about friends, old friends and new friends.

People throw parties at homes or join in with parades. They sing and dance and tell each other stories.

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