

After You Read

A Fill in the blanks with the given words to complete the reading summary . 

What is Boxing Day?



The Origin of Boxing Day

- Christmas Boxes ❶ _____ from master to servant.
- A box to collect money was placed in churches on Christmas.
- Sealed timber boxes ❷ _____ were kept on great sailing ships for good luck.

Activities on Boxing Day

- Fox hunting was a tradition, but it ❸ _____ in its traditional form in 2004.
- Many sports such as horse racing, football, and rugby are ❹ _____.
- ❺ _____ has emerged as another “sport.”

Reclaim the Spirit

- The tradition of giving gifts and money still ❻ _____.
- This day provides us with an opportunity to ❼ _____ to society.

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B Based on your understanding, answer the questions . 

1 People have added Boxing Day after Christmas because _____.

- a they want to promote sports
- b they want to follow true spirit of the day
- c they want to have enough time to recover from Christmas

2 Read each statement and choose T (true) or F (false).

- a Boxing Day is a national bank holiday in the U.K. ☐ T ☐ F
- b A traditional form of fox hunting is still popular. ☐ T ☐ F
- c Boxing Day is also known as a shopping holiday. ☐ T ☐ F



Time to Think

If you made your own donation box on Boxing Day, what would you put in it?
And why? Talk about it with your partner.