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Christmas Day, December 25, is the most popular holiday in Great Britain. It is a family holiday. Traditionally all relatives and friends give each other presents.

In general, people get prepared for this holiday very carefully. They decorate their houses in the traditional way. Christmas trees are set up in houses, in the streets and churches. They are always decorated with fairy lights, angels and small toys. On the eve of Christmas children hang their stockings, so that Santa Claus could put presents into them: oranges, sweets, nuts and if the child didn't behave properly Santa Claus can put there a piece of coal as punishment.

Carol singing is an essential part of Christmas. Usually children come around in the evening to the front doors and start singing carols and people who live in these houses give children candies, nuts, pies and so on, to thank them for carol singing.

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Vocabulary: holiday – праздник decorate –украшать eve – канун punishment – наказание church – церковь candies – сладости presents – подарки stockings – носки

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Now we know the ABC !

Learning English is fun! Oh, well you see, Now we know the ABC !

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z



The ABC party (December 2016)

Vocabulary: learn – учить know-знать now –сейчас The ABC –алфавит





Christmas and New Year symbols



1. Santa Claus - an imaginary being who brings presents for children on the night before Christmas Day (also known as Father Christmas) - traditionally an old man with a red suit and white beard

Vocabulary:

bring-приносить presents, gifts -подарки beard - борода evergreen вечнозеленый bells -колокольчики



2. Christmas tree—an evergreen tree (often a spruce) that people decorate with lights and ornaments at Christmas.



3. Bells- Bells are used to announce the birth of Jesus. The bells called the people to worship him. The bells were rung to guide lost sheep back to the fold. They signify that all people are precious in the eyes of the Lord.



4. **Gifts**-Gifts are an act of love symbolizing the act of love that God made when sending us Jesus. Gifts are to remind us that Jesus Christ was a gift to us from God.



5. Stocking-There is a legend associated with the origin of Christmas Stockings. St. Nick, who wanted to remain anonymous and help a poor family, threw gold coins down their chimney. They fell into a stocking that was hanging there to dry.



6. A Carol is a Christmas song or hymn, a popular song or ballad of religious joy sung now everywhere: on the radio, TV, in church, in school.

Guess the crossword









Across 4 Merry! (9) 7 Brings presents to good boys and girls. (5,5) 9 These are made of wax and have wicks. (7)	 Down 1 A sock filled with goodies on Christmas day. (8) 2 Circular decoration often hung on doors (6) 3 A red and white treat (5,4) 5 A gift (7) 6 The sound bells make. (6) 8 Ice crystals (4) 10 A vehicle mounted on runners and pulled by horses or dogs; for transportation over snow. (6)
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Christmas and New Year greetings greetings

The simplest greeting : Happy Christmas ! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year ! Merry Christmas and Best Wishes for a Happy New Year! Merry Christmas and all the best in the New Year ! Season's Greetings ! Holiday Greetings ! Happy Holidays !

More complex greetings: Best wishes for a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year !

Greetings of the Season and Best Wishes for the New Year !

Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful Holiday and a Happy New Year !

Wishing you every happiness this Holiday Season and throughout the coming year !

Keep up your English!

Vocabulary:

Happy- счастливый wishes- пожелания the simpest- самые простые complex- сложные thoughts- мысли happiness- счастье throught the coming yearв наступающем году





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