

Christmas Worksheet – World Book Student

Christmas is a day commemorated by Christians around the world. Learn more about this Christian celebration on World Book Online and then find the answers to the following questions.

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1. What does Christmas commemorate?
2. When did Christians begin celebrating a religious feast based on Bible accounts of Jesus's birth?
3. What is Advent?
4. Where do some of the Christmas customs celebrated today come from?
5. Who was St. Nicholas?
6. Who is Ebenezer Scrooge?
7. During the 1800's in the United Kingdom and United States, many people who lived in urban areas away from their rural homes would do what to commemorate Christmas with their loved ones far away?
8. Christmas around the world. Match the country with their Christmas tradition.

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| United Kingdom | Christmas markets |
| South Korea and Japan | Bouche de Noel |
| Australia | Santa Claus |
| Ethiopia | Dia de los Reyes |
| Ireland | La Befana, a witch, delivering gifts |
| Germany | Elaborate, creative light displays |
| Mexico | Plum pudding |
| France | 40 day fast (no food) |
| United States and Canada | Oplatek |
| Italy | Candles in windows |
| Poland | Huge carolling events |

Did you know?

- The modern Santa Claus originated from Saint Nicholas, a bishop who lived in Turkey in 300's and gave gifts to children.
- During the Reformation in England, Christmas was outlawed between 1649 and 1660.
- Not all Christians celebrate Christmas on December 25. Some celebrate according to the Julian calendar where Christmas falls on January 7.
- Boxing Day (December 26) traditionally included giving money and other gifts to charitable institutions, needy individuals, and people in service jobs.

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