

CHRISTMAS: SECULAR GAP-FILL

B1 | Adults / Teens | Vocabulary Practice | 20-25 minutes

WORD BANK - Use each word or phrase once.

card	cookies	decoration
family	holiday	lights
party	present	reindeer
Santa	sleigh	snowman
stocking	tree	winter

Complete the sentences with a word or phrase from the box.

1. Many people send a Christmas _____ to friends and relatives.
2. Children may hang a _____ by the fireplace.
3. A _____ is a gift for another person.
4. Some homes have colourful _____ in December.
5. A Christmas _____ is a common seasonal decoration.
6. An ornament is a small _____ for a tree or room.
7. In stories, _____ travels on Christmas Eve.
8. His _____ is pulled by animals in many stories.
9. A _____ is an animal often linked with Christmas.
10. People sometimes make a _____ after heavy snow.
11. December is in _____ in many countries in the north.
12. A Christmas _____ may include music, food and games.
13. Baking _____ is a popular seasonal activity.
14. Many people spend the _____ with people they care about.
15. A large _____ meal is common in some homes.

Discuss with a partner

1. Which secular Christmas tradition do you like best?
2. How do people decorate homes in your area?
3. Do you prefer giving presents or receiving them? Why?

CHRISTMAS: SECULAR GAP-FILL - ANSWERS

B1 | Answer Key

Suggested answers - the completed word or phrase is in bold

1. Many people send a Christmas **card** to friends and relatives.
2. Children may hang a **stocking** by the fireplace.
3. A **present** is a gift for another person.
4. Some homes have colourful **lights** in December.
5. A Christmas **tree** is a common seasonal decoration.
6. An ornament is a small **decoration** for a tree or room.
7. In stories, **Santa** travels on Christmas Eve.
8. His **sleigh** is pulled by animals in many stories.
9. A **reindeer** is an animal often linked with Christmas.
10. People sometimes make a **snowman** after heavy snow.
11. December is in **winter** in many countries in the north.
12. A Christmas **party** may include music, food and games.
13. Baking **cookies** is a popular seasonal activity.
14. Many people spend the **holiday** with people they care about.
15. A large **family** meal is common in some homes.