

e-lesson

Week starting: 13th December 2004

1. The Night Before Christmas

Here we are again. Another Christmas and a brief break from all of our wonderful students. This week's lesson focuses on some Christmas vocabulary (in a wordsearch and a crossword) for lower level students. Merry Christmas! See you all in January.

Level

Pre-Intermediate

How to use the lesson

1. Give each student in the class a copy of Worksheet A. Give them a limit of four minutes to read the story, paying particular attention to the words in **bold**.
2. Allow students some time to find the words in bold in the wordsearch grid.
3. After they have finished reading the story, give each student a copy of Worksheet B and ask them to complete the crossword. The pictures represent each word in **bold** from Worksheet A. Tell them they can refer back to the story to check for meaning. (On a cultural note, your students may not be aware that it is customary for people in some countries to kiss under a sprig of mistletoe at Christmas).
4. Check answers in open class.

Option

The wordsearch on Worksheet A can be given as homework.

Wordsearch Answers

g	s	r	v	p	r	h	i	c	z	n	s	e	e	s
i	z	u	x	v	g	e	a	m	f	h	n	t	n	t
w	w	f	a	i	p	n	i	u	h	r	q	k	i	o
m	a	c	e	l	d	i	e	n	r	v	j	u	w	c
e	b	l	i	l	c	z	h	s	d	l	a	u	d	k
t	s	v	e	v	o	a	t	x	k	e	j	n	e	i
o	a	s	z	i	k	m	t	z	b	t	e	e	l	n
s	e	t	r	u	a	b	r	n	s	s	o	r	l	g
e	p	r	e	s	e	n	t	s	a	t	t	r	u	l
h	c	y	t	h	o	l	i	y	e	s	w	a	m	e
l	s	r	e	g	n	i	s	l	o	r	a	e	r	s
s	e	s	h	k	i	t	t	r	k	h	c	h	g	n
e	b	e	o	f	r	s	p	j	n	z	l	p	z	i
u	z	j	o	i	u	r	s	n	v	j	l	i	t	
p	q	z	x	m	u	s	t	b	a	u	b	l	e	s

Crossword Answers

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| 1. mulled wine | 6. mistletoe | 11. stocking |
| 2. presents | 7. Santa Claus | 12. candles |
| 3. carol singers | 8. baubles | 13. reindeer |
| 4. turkey | 9. star | 14. holly |
| 5. Christmas tree | 10. tinsel | 15. sleigh |

2. Related Websites

Send your students to these websites, or just take a look yourself.

<http://www.christmas.com/worldview/>

Christmas around the world

<http://www.holidays.net/christmas/>

Christmas on the Net

<http://www.howstuffworks.com/christmas.htm>

The complete guide to Christmas traditions