

## CHRISTMAS IN DIFFERENT CLIMATES

*TOPIC:* Christmas, traditions, culture

*LEVEL:* intermediate

*Time:* 45 minutes

*Objectives:*

- to learn or revise vocabulary connected with Christmas, culture and climate
- to learn about different Christmas traditions
- to develop reading, speaking and listening comprehension skills

*Language functions:*

- to exchange ideas about various Christmas traditions
- to understand a written text

*CLIL:* Geography, IT Technology,

*MATERIALS:*

For this lesson, you will need:

- Computer with Internet access

STAGE	AIMS	PROCEDURE	MATERIALS/ RESOURCES	TIME
<b>WARM UP</b>	-to make sts interested in the topic  -to develop speaking skills	<b>PAIR WORK</b>  Sts work in pairs. They are asked to tell each other about their first Christmas they can remember. After that some of them are asked to present to the rest of the class what they have learnt about their friends.		7 min
<b>MAIN PART OF THE LESSON</b>	-to develop listening skills	<b>LISTENING COMPREHENSION</b>  Sts watch a short video on youtube recorded by a group of children from New Zealand called CHRISTMAS STORY. Because it tells a well-known story they are just supposed to watch, enjoy and experience the Christmas spirit. After that they will have to say if they noticed anything unusual in the video.	<a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kWq60oyrHVQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kWq60oyrHVQ</a>	5 min

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	<p>- to develop reading skills</p> <p>-to check reading comprehension</p> <p>-to develop speaking skills</p>	<p><b>READING COMPREHENSION</b></p> <p>Sts are divided into groups of three. Each person within a group is given a different website with a text about Christmas day in 3 different countries, namely Canada, Australia and Poland. After reading their text, sts they are asked to come up with similarities and differences in their texts.</p> <p>Christmas Day in Canada -  <a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas">http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas</a></p> <p>Christmas Day in Australia -  <a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/australia/christmas-day">http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/australia/christmas-day</a></p> <p>Christmas Day in Poland -  <a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/poland/christmas-day">http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/poland/christmas-day</a></p>	<p><a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas">http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/australia/christmas-day">http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/australia/christmas-day</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/poland/christmas-day">http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/poland/christmas-day</a></p>	10 min
	<p>- to learn to look for specific information</p>	<p><b>CHRISTMAS WEBQUEST</b></p> <p><b>Christmas – myth or not?</b></p> <p>Sts log on to a website - <a href="http://www.teach-ict.com/seasonal/xmas/webquest/christmas_webquest.htm">http://www.teach-ict.com/seasonal/xmas/webquest/christmas_webquest.htm</a> where they find 15 statements connected with Christmas. Using the Internet they have to find whether they are true, false or simply not proved.</p>	<p><a href="http://www.teach-ict.com/seasonal/xmas/webquest/christmas_webquest.htm">http://www.teach-ict.com/seasonal/xmas/webquest/christmas_webquest.htm</a></p>	15 min
<b>WRAP - UP/ CLOSURE</b>	<p>-to develop listening skills</p>	<p><b>LISTENING</b></p> <p>Sts are asked to watch on a youtube video with a well-known song, namely JINGLE BELLS. Actually it is a parody of this song. They to watch the video and guess the nationality of the people gathered around the Christmas tree. If time allows, we watch it again with lyrics on the screen so that they can sing along.</p>	<p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdvSWDbvIKk&amp;feature=kp">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YdvSWDbvIKk&amp;feature=kp</a></p> <p>with lyrics:</p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVQkCZwOrPM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YVQkCZwOrPM</a></p>	8 min