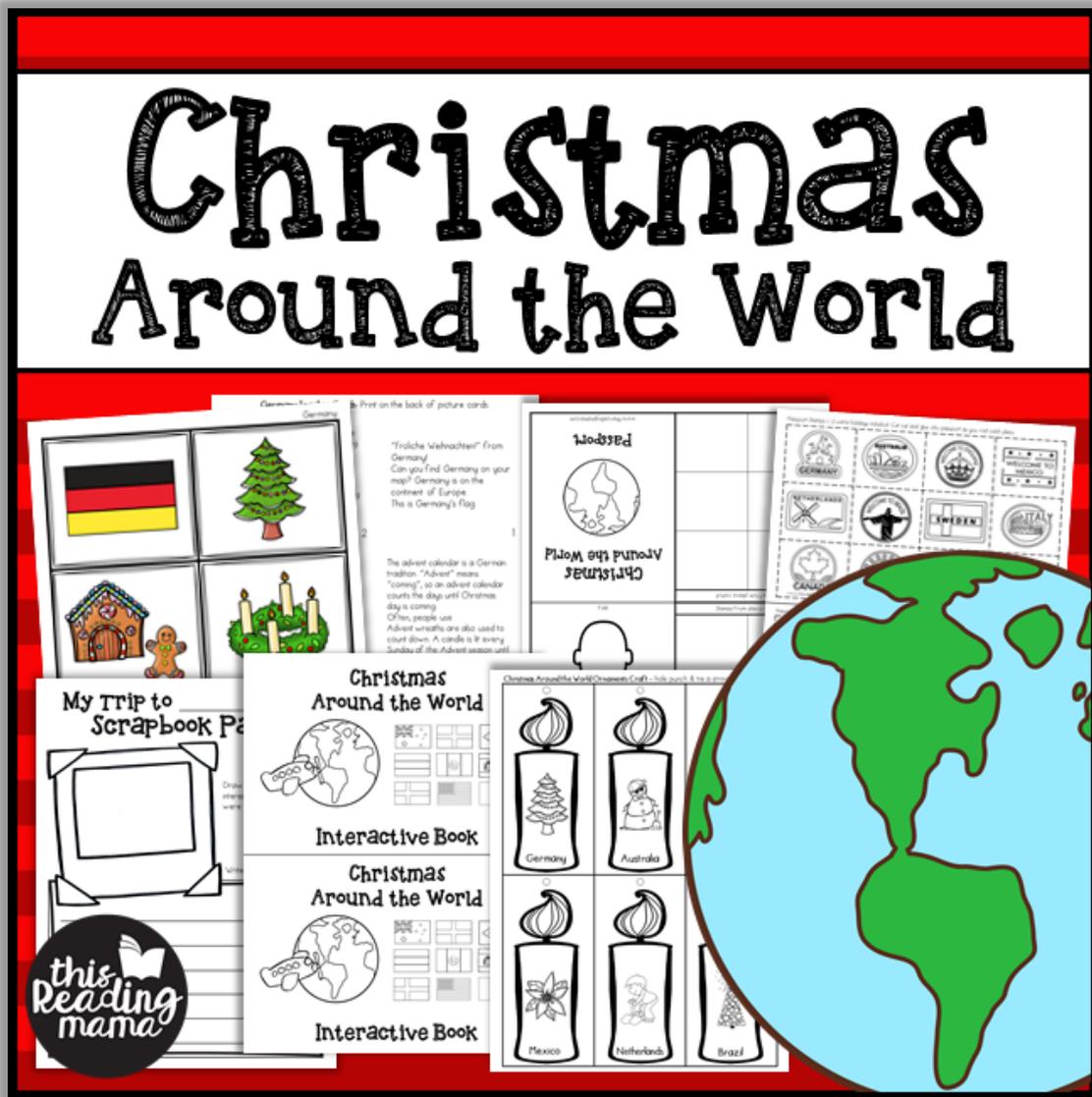


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Christmas Around the World



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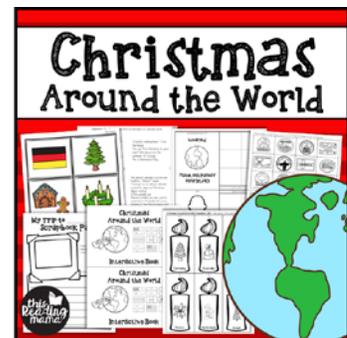
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Countries included:

Germany, Australia, England, Mexico, The Netherlands, Brazil, Sweden, Italy, The USA, & Canada PLUS Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, and The Chinese New Year

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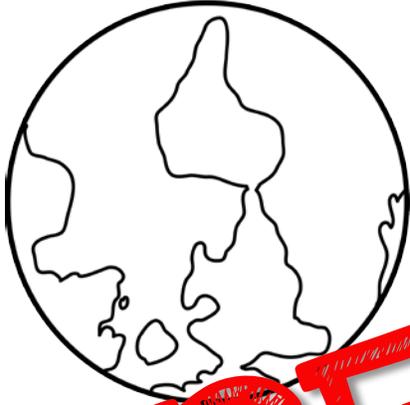


*The main learning objectives in this pack are helping learners see similarities and differences in themselves and others, explain the importance of celebrations and folklore, compare traditions of different cultures, use geographic tools to locate places in the world, and use literature to help learners understand diverse cultures.

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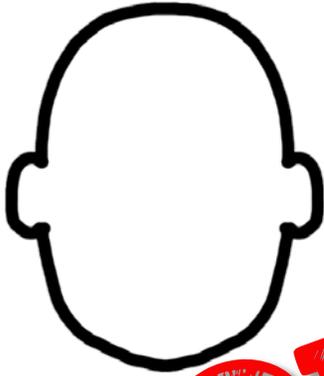


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Stamps from places visited

fold



Stamps from places visited.

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Name:

Birthday:

Hair Color:

Eye Color:

We Are World Travelers!

Color each place you visit a different color. Fill in your key below.



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- Australia
- England

- Mexico
- Netherlands
- Brazil

- Sweden
- Italy
- Canada
- United States

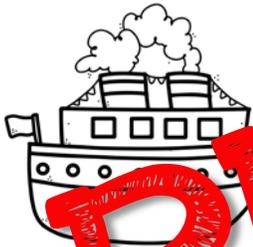
- Israel
- Africa
- China

The Netherlands

Read & Learn

"Zalig Kerstfeest!" from the Netherlands!

Can you find the Netherlands on the map or the globe? It is in the northwest corner of Europe, close to another country we've been to many times.



For most people, Christmas Day is not the biggest celebration in the Netherlands. For them, it is St. Nicholas' Day, which is December 6th. Before December even comes, Sinterklaas and his helper come in on a steamship from Spain. There are parties, games, and church bells ring, to celebrate his arrival.

Sinterklaas rides a white horse and delivers presents to all the good boys and girls on St. Nicholas Eve.

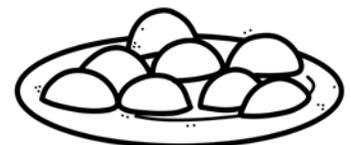
Zwarte Piet travels with Sinterklaas. It is said that he keeps a record of the nice and naughty children. He goes down the chimneys and delivers presents for the good children.



To prepare for Sinterklaas' arrival on St. Nicholas Eve, children leave treats in their shoes for his horse. These treats include carrots, hay, or sugar.

Christmas Day is much quieter, since St. Nicholas Day is more of the focus. One Christmas tradition is people making candy wreaths that are hung as decoration on the tree.

Speculaas are a spiced, shortcrust cookie or biscuit served throughout the Christmas season, especially on St. Nicholas Day. They sometimes take the shape of St. Nicholas or a windmill.





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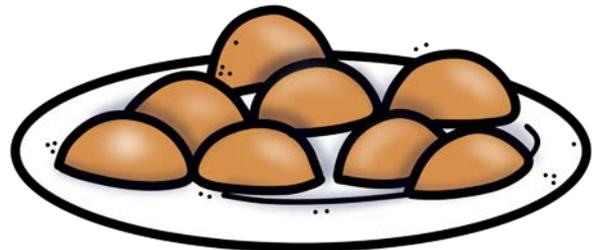
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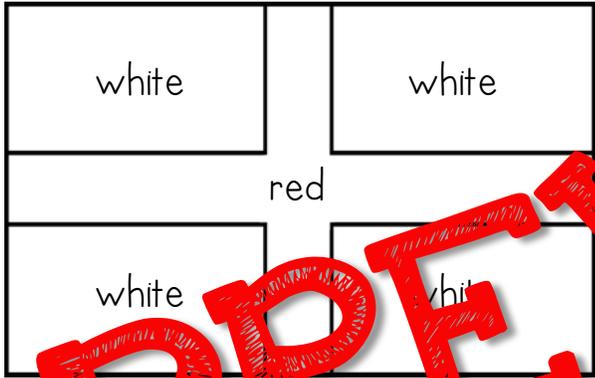


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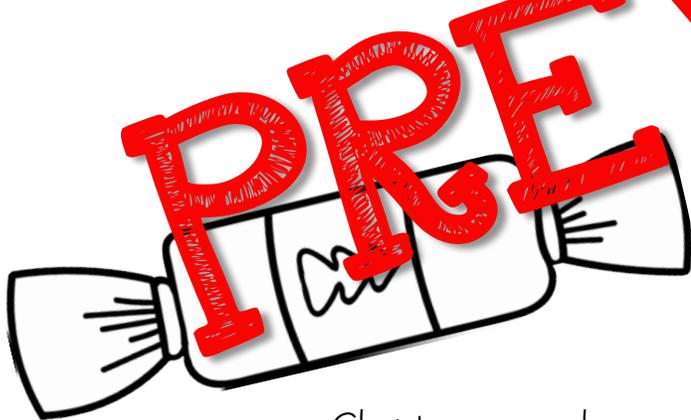
Listen & Color About England



Christmas cards



Christmas Carol



Christmas crackers



Father Christmas

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A Christmas flower, the poinsettia, came from Mexico. The flower's name means "a good night."



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For Las Posadas, families and friends walk from house to house, just like Mary & Joseph did, looking for a place to stay. They have a party with food and games when they are invited into homes.



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January 6th is Three Kings Day. People enjoy food together as they tell the story of the three Wise Men coming to visit Jesus.

Christmas in Mexico

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green



red

white



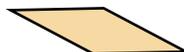
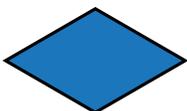
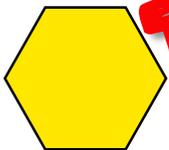
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England Mat

How many blocks do you use?



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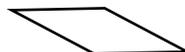
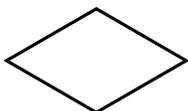
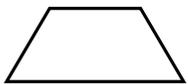
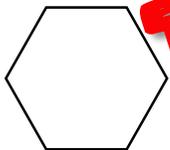


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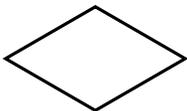
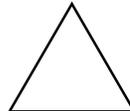
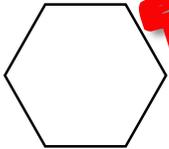
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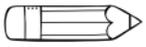
How many blocks did you use?



"God Jul!" from Sweden



Listen & glue.



Write something you remember about Christmas in Sweden below.

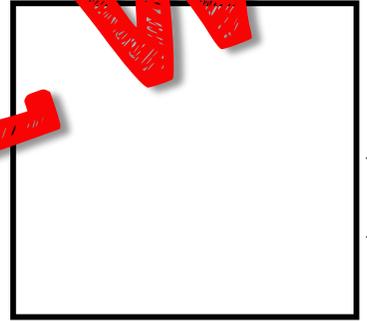
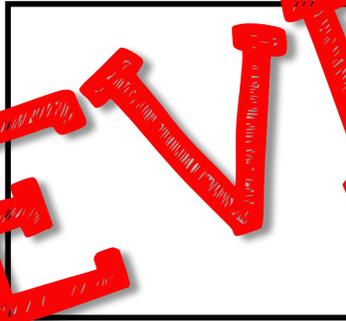
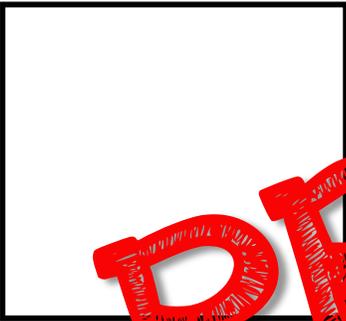
Handwriting practice lines consisting of a solid top line, a dashed middle line, and a solid bottom line.

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"Buon Natale!" from Italy



Listen & glue.



Write something you remember about Christmas in Italy below.

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Christmas in _____

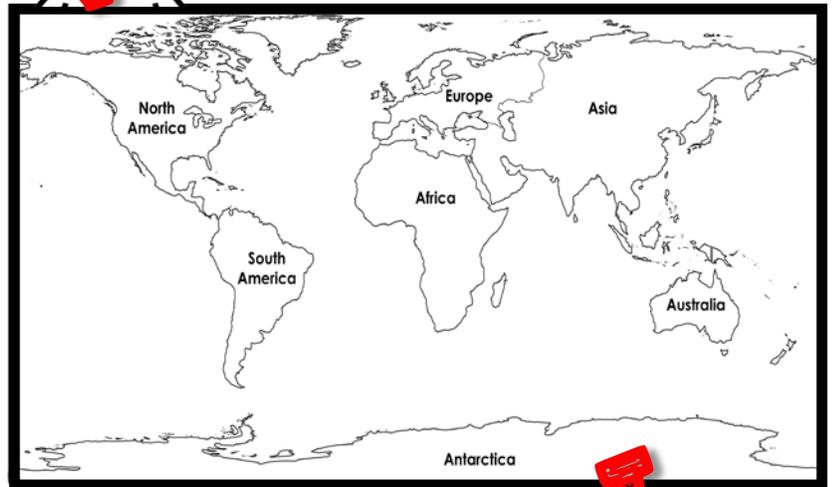
How do they say, "Merry Christmas!"?



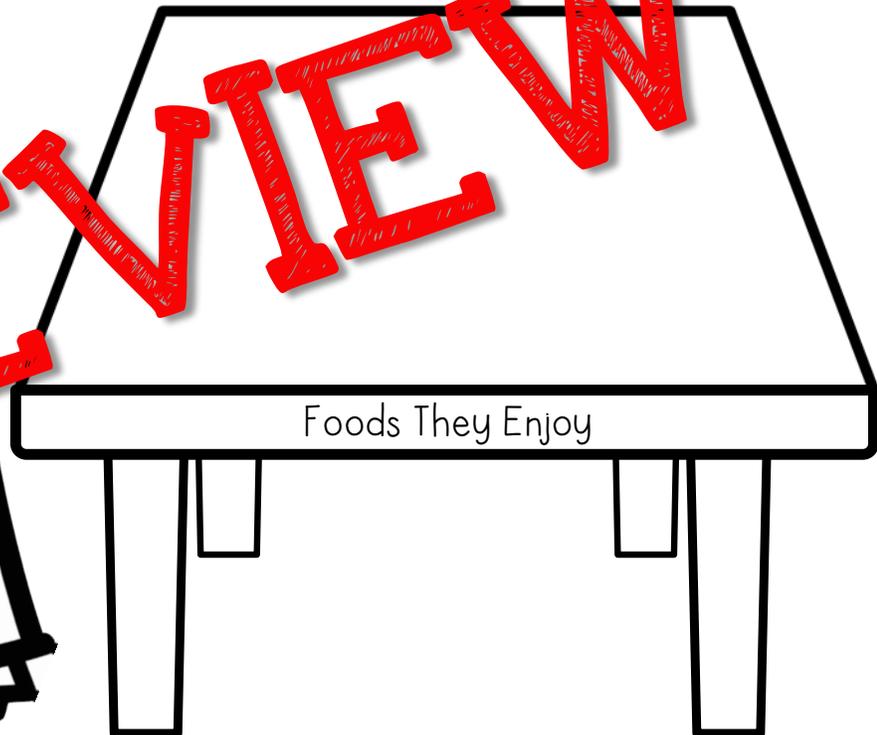
Name of Gift Giver



Where is it? Color the continent.



Favorite Traditions



Foods They Enjoy

Hanukkah

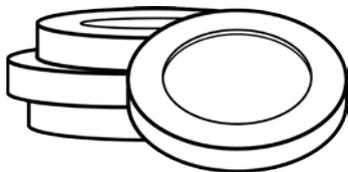
Read & Learn

"Happy Hanukkah!" from Israel. Find Israel on the map or globe. It is a small nation in Asia, northwest of Egypt.



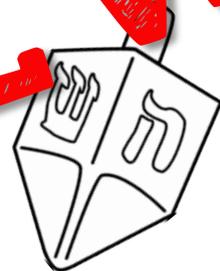
Although there are Jewish people all over the world, the first Jewish people lived in the nation we call Israel. During the time of Hanukkah, it was ruled by the King of Judah.

Hanukkah is an 8-day celebration remembering when the Maccabees reclaimed the temple in Jerusalem. The small jar of oil which should have only lasted 1 day, lasted for 8 days. Each day, one candle of the menorah is lighted. The *shamash* is the center candle and is used to light the others.



One of the original Jewish customs was to give gelt (money) rather than presents during Hanukkah. Today, gelt is often chocolate in the shape of a coin. Children love to play with the dreidel.

The dreidel game is a favorite during Hanukkah. Each side of the dreidel has a different Hebrew letter that affects how the game is played.



Two favorite foods of Hanukkah are latkes (potato pancakes) and *sufganiyot* (jelly doughnuts). Both are cooked in oil, reminding Jews of the Hanukkah miracle from over 2,000 years ago.

Other Holidays In December/January

Fun Activities, Crafts, & Food



Hanukkah

- *Make a dreidel using an online template
- *Play the dreidel game. Use chocolate coins or other small pieces of food, like raisins.
- *Make latkes & jelly doughnuts.
- *Read, "The Story of Hanukkah" by Deborah A. Adler
- *Make a menorah craft

Kwanzaa

- *Make a kinara with candles
- *Find recipes for different kinds of African foods, like benne cakes. Try them.
- *Help learners think of a *zawadi* (homemade gift) they can make for someone else. Example: A beaded necklace or bracelet is reflective of the Africa.
- *Read "The Story of Kwanzaa" by Lonna L. Washington

The Chinese New Year

- *Make red money envelopes. Instead of actual money, write riddles or messages to one another.
- *Read, "Lion Dance" by Kwame Alexander & Madeline Slovenz-lo (might be hard to find, but you can find it!)
- *Make paper lanterns
- *Create a simple fireworks craft with black construction paper, glue and glitter.

*When dealing with food, especially in the classroom setting, be sure you understand the allergy need of your learners. You may need to avoid foods with nuts, eggs, dairy, or gluten if you have learners with allergies or sensitivities.

**When a craft is suggested, search online for ideas that will work best for your learners.

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