

A large, snow-covered Christmas tree is the central focus, illuminated with warm white, red, green, and blue lights. The tree is heavily laden with snow, and its branches are visible through the white. In the background, a white church with a steeple is visible, also decorated with lights. The scene is set at night, with a dark blue sky. The overall atmosphere is festive and cozy.

Christmas in Great Britain

Christmas Day

- **The 25th of December is Christmas Day.**
It's a happy holiday for many people in different countries.



A Christmas Card

- **Some weeks** before Christmas English people are **busy**. They send **greeting cards** to all their relatives and friends. You can buy **Christmas cards** or you can make them. Many children make their **cards at school**.



A Christmas tree



- People **buy** a Christmas tree and **decorate** it with **toys**, **coloured balls** and little **coloured lights**

Christmas stockings

There is an old legend. Many years ago there lived a poor man. His wife died and he lived alone with his three daughters. The girls couldn't get married as they didn't have any dowry.

But once before Christmas they washed up their stockings and put them next to the fireplace. Santa Claus decided to help them and put golden bars into their stockings, so that they could get married.

Since then when children go to bed, they put **their stockings** near their beds.



Father Christmas



At night Father Christmas comes. He has got **a big bag of presents** for children. He puts the presents **into the children's stockings**.

Christmas presents

- **On Christmas Eve** people put their presents **under the tree.**



Balls on a Christmas tree in Trafalgar Square

- **Every year** there is a very big Christmas tree **in the centre of London**, in Trafalgar Square. This is a **present** from the **people of Norway** to the **people of Great Britain**. They **send** it to Londoners every year and Londoners **decorate** the Christmas tree.



Trafalgar Square at night

- In the evening before Christmas people like to come to Trafalgar Square to look at the tree. On Christmas Eve the streets in London are decorated, too.



Christmas candles

- **On Christmas** people wish their nearest and dearest **a merry Christmas.**

The day after Christmas is **Boxing Day**. People usually visit their relatives and friends. They **do not work** on that day.



Christmas food



- For Christmas lunch people eat turkey, potatoes and green vegetables. Then they have the **Christmas pudding**. At five o'clock it's time for **tea and Christmas cake**.

Merry Christmas!

