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Christmas



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PERSONAL EXPERIENCE
& TRADITIONS

HOW DO YOU USUALLY CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS?
WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS TRADITION AND WHY?
HAS YOUR WAY OF CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS CHANGED OVER THE YEARS?
WHAT IS THE MOST MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS YOU HAVE EVER HAD?
DO YOU CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH YOUR FAMILY OR FRIENDS?
WHAT ROLE DOES FOOD PLAY IN YOUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS?
DO YOU HAVE ANY TRADITIONS THAT ARE UNIQUE TO YOUR FAMILY?
HOW IMPORTANT IS CHRISTMAS FOR YOU PERSONALLY?
WHAT DO YOU USUALLY DO ON CHRISTMAS EVE?
HOW LONG DOES THE CHRISTMAS SEASON LAST IN YOUR COUNTRY?





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CULTURE & SOCIETY

HOW IS CHRISTMAS CELEBRATED IN YOUR COUNTRY COMPARED TO OTHERS?

DO YOU THINK CHRISTMAS HAS BECOME TOO COMMERCIAL?

HOW DOES CHRISTMAS INFLUENCE PEOPLE'S BEHAVIOR?

WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS REPRESENT IN YOUR CULTURE?

ARE THERE ANY CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS YOU DISLIKE? WHY?

HOW DO PEOPLE WHO DON'T CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS FEEL DURING THIS SEASON?

SHOULD CHRISTMAS BE MORE ABOUT RELIGION OR FAMILY?

HOW HAS GLOBALIZATION CHANGED CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS?

DO YOU THINK CHRISTMAS IS LOSING ITS ORIGINAL MEANING?

HOW DO SCHOOLS OR WORKPLACES CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN YOUR COUNTRY?





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FOOD & GIFTS

WHAT TRADITIONAL CHRISTMAS FOOD DO YOU ENJOY THE MOST?
DO YOU PREFER HOMEMADE FOOD OR BUYING READY-MADE FOOD
FOR CHRISTMAS?

IS GIFT-GIVING AN IMPORTANT PART OF CHRISTMAS FOR YOU?
WHAT MAKES A GOOD CHRISTMAS GIFT?

DO YOU PREFER GIVING OR RECEIVING GIFTS? WHY?
HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED A DISAPPOINTING CHRISTMAS GIFT?
DO YOU THINK PEOPLE SPEND TOO MUCH MONEY ON CHRISTMAS
GIFTS?

IS IT BETTER TO GIVE PRACTICAL OR CREATIVE GIFTS?
HOW DO YOU CHOOSE GIFTS FOR DIFFERENT PEOPLE?
SHOULD CHILDREN ALWAYS RECEIVE GIFTS AT CHRISTMAS?





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CHRISTMAS &
EMOTIONS

WHAT EMOTIONS DO YOU ASSOCIATE WITH CHRISTMAS?
CAN CHRISTMAS BE A STRESSFUL TIME? WHY OR WHY NOT?
DO YOU THINK CHRISTMAS INCREASES FEELINGS OF LONELINESS FOR SOME PEOPLE?
HOW DO CHRISTMAS MOVIES AND SONGS INFLUENCE PEOPLE'S MOODS?
WHAT MAKES CHRISTMAS SPECIAL EMOTIONALLY?
IS IT EASY TO RELAX DURING CHRISTMAS?
HOW DO EXPECTATIONS AFFECT PEOPLE'S CHRISTMAS EXPERIENCE?
DO YOU THINK CHRISTMAS BRINGS FAMILIES CLOSER TOGETHER?
HAVE YOU EVER FELT DISAPPOINTED DURING CHRISTMAS?
HOW DO YOU PERSONALLY TRY TO ENJOY CHRISTMAS MORE?





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MEDIA &
ENTERTAINMENT

DO YOU ENJOY CHRISTMAS MOVIES? WHY OR WHY NOT?

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS MOVIE?

DO YOU LISTEN TO CHRISTMAS MUSIC? WHEN DOES IT START?

ARE CHRISTMAS SONGS REPETITIVE OR ENJOYABLE?

HOW ARE CHRISTMAS ADVERTISEMENTS DIFFERENT FROM NORMAL ONES?

DO SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS CHANGE HOW PEOPLE CELEBRATE
CHRISTMAS?

HOW REALISTIC ARE CHRISTMAS MOVIES?

SHOULD CHRISTMAS MOVIES BE MORE MODERN OR TRADITIONAL?

DO YOU THINK CHILDREN ARE INFLUENCED BY CHRISTMAS MOVIES?

HOW IMPORTANT IS DECORATION IN CREATING A CHRISTMAS
ATMOSPHERE?





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COMPARISONS &
OPINIONS

IS CHRISTMAS BETTER FOR CHILDREN OR ADULTS?
DO YOU PREFER A TRADITIONAL OR MODERN CHRISTMAS?
IS CHRISTMAS BETTER SPENT AT HOME OR TRAVELING?
WOULD YOU RATHER RECEIVE ONE EXPENSIVE GIFT OR SEVERAL SMALL
ONES?

IS CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS ALONE A BAD THING?
DO YOU PREFER CHRISTMAS EVE OR CHRISTMAS DAY?
IS WINTER WEATHER IMPORTANT FOR A "REAL" CHRISTMAS?
SHOULD CHRISTMAS BE CELEBRATED THE SAME WAY EVERY YEAR?
IS CHRISTMAS MORE ENJOYABLE IN BIG CITIES OR SMALL TOWNS?
DO YOU THINK CHRISTMAS IS OVERRATED?



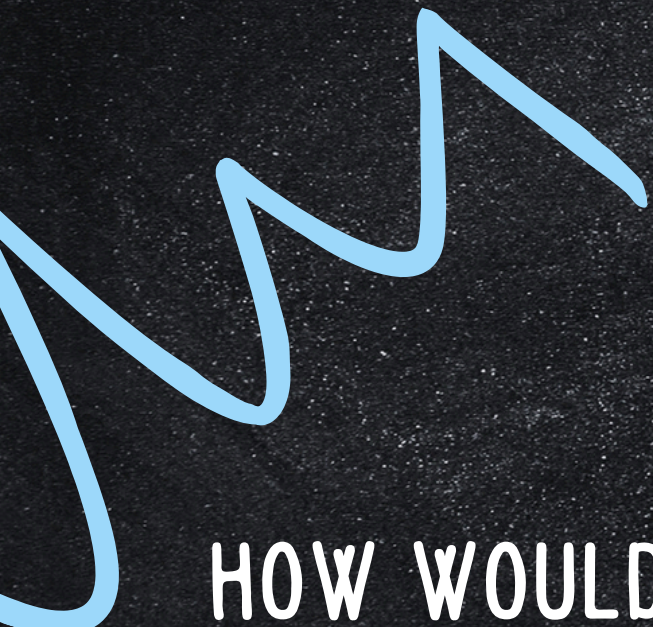


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VALUES &
REFLECTION

WHAT VALUES DOES CHRISTMAS PROMOTE?
HOW CAN PEOPLE SHOW KINDNESS DURING CHRISTMAS?
DO PEOPLE BEHAVE BETTER DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON?
HOW CAN CHRISTMAS ENCOURAGE GENEROSITY?
SHOULD HELPING OTHERS BE MORE IMPORTANT THAN CELEBRATING?
HOW CAN PEOPLE CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN A MORE MEANINGFUL WAY?
WHAT LESSONS CAN CHILDREN LEARN FROM CHRISTMAS?
DO YOU THINK CHRISTMAS ENCOURAGES GRATITUDE?
IS IT POSSIBLE TO ENJOY CHRISTMAS WITHOUT SPENDING MONEY?
HOW CAN CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS BE PRESERVED?





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HYPOTHETICAL
& CREATIVE
QUESTIONS

HOW WOULD YOU CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IF MONEY WAS NOT AN ISSUE?

HOW WOULD CHRISTMAS BE DIFFERENT WITHOUT GIFTS?

WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF CHRISTMAS DIDN'T EXIST?

IF YOU COULD CREATE A NEW CHRISTMAS TRADITION, WHAT WOULD IT BE?

HOW WOULD YOU CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN ANOTHER COUNTRY?

WHAT WOULD A PERFECT CHRISTMAS DAY LOOK LIKE FOR YOU?

IF YOU WERE ALONE AT CHRISTMAS, WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

HOW WOULD CHRISTMAS CHANGE IF IT WAS IN SUMMER?

IF YOU COULD INVITE ANYONE TO CHRISTMAS DINNER, WHO WOULD IT BE?

WHAT WOULD CHRISTMAS BE LIKE IN THE FUTURE?





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GLOBAL &
MODERN ISSUES

HOW DOES CHRISTMAS AFFECT THE ENVIRONMENT?
SHOULD PEOPLE TRY TO CELEBRATE A MORE ECO-FRIENDLY CHRISTMAS?
HOW HAS ONLINE SHOPPING CHANGED CHRISTMAS?
DO YOU THINK TECHNOLOGY IMPROVES OR DAMAGES CHRISTMAS?
HOW DO CHARITIES USE CHRISTMAS TO RAISE AWARENESS?
SHOULD GOVERNMENTS SUPPORT PEOPLE DURING CHRISTMAS?
HOW DOES CHRISTMAS AFFECT THE ECONOMY?
IS CHRISTMAS FAIR FOR PEOPLE WITH LOW INCOMES?
HOW CAN SOCIETY MAKE CHRISTMAS MORE INCLUSIVE?
SHOULD CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS BE LONGER OR SHORTER?





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WRAP-UP
QUESTIONS

WHAT DOES CHRISTMAS MEAN TO YOU IN ONE SENTENCE?
WHAT IS ONE THING YOU WOULD CHANGE ABOUT CHRISTMAS?

WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT CHRISTMAS?

WHAT IS THE WORST THING ABOUT CHRISTMAS?

WOULD YOU LIKE TO CHANGE HOW YOU CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN THE
FUTURE?

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO SOMEONE CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS
FOR THE FIRST TIME?

HOW WOULD YOU EXPLAIN CHRISTMAS TO SOMEONE FROM ANOTHER
CULTURE?

WHAT ROLE DOES CHRISTMAS PLAY IN YOUR LIFE TODAY?

HOW DO YOU THINK YOU WILL CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN TEN YEARS?

WHY DO YOU THINK CHRISTMAS IS STILL IMPORTANT TODAY?

