

Christmas Fun & Games :Teaching Suggestions

N.B. In these notes 'TT' means 'Teaching Tip'. These tips are written in plain, jargon-free English and are designed to help new teachers. They are available on TEFL.NET

Activity 1

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1. Get a student to read the instructions out loud (TT2) and check that they are clear (TT3).
2. Get students to work individually and guess what the answers might be to the true or false questions.
3. Stop the activity (TT7).
4. Get feedback (TT8).
Answers: 1. True 5. True
2. True! 6. True
3. True 7. False (it's called 'Boxing Day')
4. True 8. True
5. Consolidate pronunciation (TT4).

Activity 2

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1. Put the students into pairs (TT1).
2. Get a student to read the instructions out loud (TT2) and check that they are clear (TT3).
3. Deal with vocabulary queries(TT9).
4. Get the students to complete the exercise with their partner, speaking together in English (TT5)..
5. Monitor (TT10).
6. Stop the activity (TT7).
7. Get feedback (TT8).
Answers: 1. Snowman 6. Chimney
2. Presents 7. December
3. Cards 8. Roast Turkey
4. Angel 9. Robin
5. Reindeer 10. Merry Xmas
8. Consolidate pronunciation (TT4).

Activity 3

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1. Put the students into pairs (TT1).
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5. Monitor (TT10).
6. Stop the activity (TT7).
7. Get feedback (TT8).
Some possible **answers** (though there may be more!):
2 letters: at is it
3 letters: cat mat ass car sat sit has ham hat hit him air arm art
4 letters: mash cast hair miss cram this mist stir mast star mass tram chat trim
5 letters: maths crash chair shirt match march charm chasm chart smart stair sitar
6 letters: racism
8 letters: chartism
8. Consolidate pronunciation (TT4).