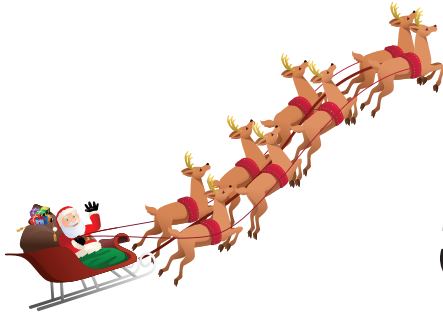


Christmas Traditions Around the World



Argentina



Fireworks light up the sky at midnight every Christmas Eve throughout Argentina. Also on Christmas Eve, Argentinians light "globos", which are colorful paper balloons with candles in them that float into the sky when being lit from inside. Seeing the hundreds of thousands of "globos" floating in the sky together is truly an mesmerizing sight.

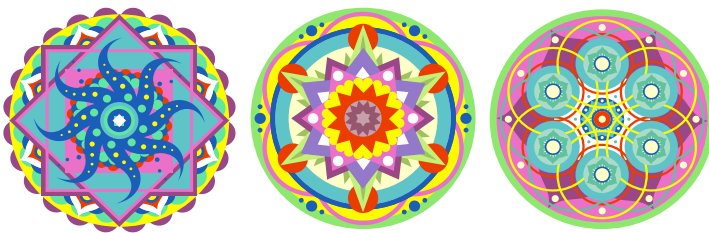


Italy



Kids in Italy don't look forward to Santa, but a witch to deliver their presents to them. In Italian folklore there is a Christmas witch named Befana, who does the job of Santa Claus. She delivers gifts/treats to kids who have been good and delivers coal to the ones that have been naughty. Unlike Santa, who does his deliveries on Christmas Eve in his sleigh, Befana does hers on the Eve of January 6th on her broomstick.

Philippines



The Giant Lantern Festival or also known as "Ligligan Parul Samperandu" is held each year, the Saturday before Christmas Eve in the city of San Fernando. Multiple villages compete to create the most vibrant & creative paper lantern. The lanterns feature amazing designs/colors and can get as big as 20 feet in diameter! The giant lanterns also use up to 5,000 bulbs that are synchronized to blink to music!

Australia



Winters in Australia are like Summers in America, so people celebrate Christmas on the beach. People get together with friends & family to BBQ and enjoy the sunshine. Another popular tradition is caroling, which usually starts a week or two before Christmas. Many Australian cities such as Melbourne and Sydney, host caroling concert events that often feature celebrity singers and musicians. All the proceeds of these concerts are usually donated to charity.

Writing to Santa

Fill out Santa's letter, so that he knows what you want for Christmas this year!

Dear Santa,

My name is _____

and I am _____ years old

This year I have been:

☐

Very Good
all of the time

☐

Good

☐

Trying to do better

What I would like most this Christmas is...

One thing I am thankful for is:

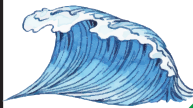
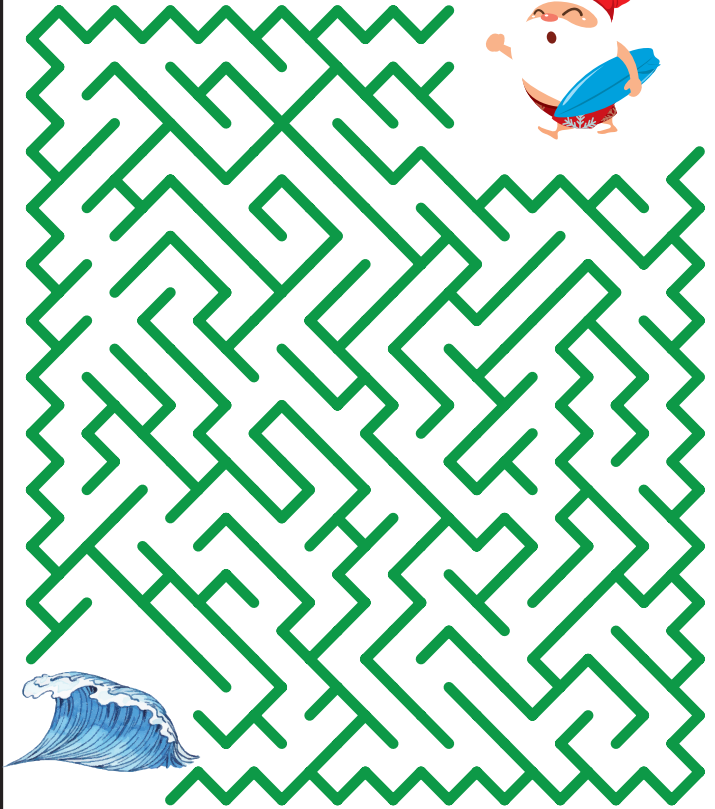
Please say Hi to my favorite Reindeer:

Love,

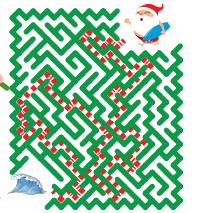


X-Mas Maze

Help Santa find his way to the waves,
so that he can go surfing!



Answer:



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