

Scavenger Hunt/Christmas Around the World

1. **What kind of trees are decorated at Christmas time in India?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in India](http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/india.shtml)
<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/india.shtml>

2. **Christmas trees are not commonly used in Greece. What is the main symbol of the season in most Greek homes?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Greece](http://www.worldofchristmas.net/christmas-world/greece.html)
<http://www.worldofchristmas.net/christmas-world/greece.html>

3. **In the Netherlands, what do children leave in their shoes as a gift for Sinterklaas's horse?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in the Netherlands](http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/holland.shtml)
<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/holland.shtml>

4. **The Christmas season starts in Estonia with the _____ season.**

Internet Resource:
[Christmas in Estonia](https://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/estonia.shtml)
<https://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/estonia.shtml>

5. **On what date does Christmas begin in Sweden?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Sweden](http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/sweden.shtml)
<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/sweden.shtml>

6. **What do Romanian children often do on Christmas night?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Romania](http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/romania.shtml)
<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/romania.shtml>

7. **What is the name of the special porridge eaten at Christmas Eve dinner in many homes in Russia?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Russia](http://www.christmas-day.org/christmas-in-russia.html)
<http://www.christmas-day.org/christmas-in-russia.html>

8. **What is the shape of the popular *buche de Noel* cake made in France at Christmas time?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in France](http://www.the-north-pole.com/around/france.html)
<http://www.the-north-pole.com/around/france.html>

9. **What are the most popular Christmas tree decorations in China?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in China](http://www.the-north-pole.com/around/china.html)
<http://www.the-north-pole.com/around/china.html>

10. **In Austria, a bell is rung after Christmas Eve dinner to signal the opening of a locked door. What are children permitted to see for the first time behind the locked door?**

Internet Resource: [Austria Holiday Traditions](#)

<http://www.californiamall.com/holidaytraditions/traditions-austria.htm>

11. **Who delivers gifts at Christmas to Syrian children who have been good?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Syria](#)

<http://www.worldofchristmas.net/christmas-world/syria.html>

12. **What foods do families in Switzerland share on Christmas eve?**

Internet Resource: [Swiss Christmas](#)

<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/switzerland.shtml>

13. **What do children do with their shoes in Spain on January 5?**

Internet Resource: [Spanish Christmas Traditions](#)

<http://www.californiamall.com/holidaytraditions/traditions-spain.htm>

14. **In Hungary, Christmas is celebrated twice. What are the dates for these celebrations?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Hungary](#)

<http://www.zuzu.org/hung.html>

15. **Why are bits of hay put underneath the tablecloth at the traditional Christmas meal in Poland?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Poland](#)

<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/poland.shtml>

16. **Who first brought the tradition of the Christmas tree to England?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Britain](#)

http://www.bbc.co.uk/history/british/ten_ages_gallery_05.shtml

17. **What is Christmas called in Zimbabwe?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Zimbabwe](#)

<http://www.christmascarnivals.com/aroundtheworld/zimbabwe.html>

18. **What is the name of the traditional pudding made in Scotland for Christmas?**

Internet Resource: [A Scottish Christmas](#)

<http://www.zuzu.org/scot.html>

19. **Name two popular decorations for nativity scenes in Costa Rica.**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Costa Rica](#)

http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/costa_rica.shtml

20. **In small towns and villages of New Zealand, how does Santa travel to visit children on Christmas morning?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in New Zealand](#)

<http://www.worldofchristmas.net/christmas-world/new-zealand.html>

21. **Since the first and second world wars, turkey has been the popular choice for Christmas meals in Malta. What bird was commonly used before the wars?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Malta](#)

<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/malta.shtml>

22. **By tradition, groups of children in Romania travel from house to house singing carols and reciting poetry during the Christmas season. What does the leader of each group carry and how is it decorated?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Romania](#)

<http://www.worldofchristmas.net/christmas-world/romania.html>

23. **The dessert at a traditional Christmas feast in Denmark is a special rice pudding with something hidden in it. What is hidden and brings good luck to the one who finds it?** *Internet*

Resource: [Christmas in Denmark](#)

<http://www.worldofchristmas.net/christmas-world/denmark.html>

24. **What item do people carry as they enter the church for Christmas services in Ethiopia?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Ethiopia](#)

<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/ethiopia.shtml>

25. **The traditional Christmas Eve supper in Poland consists of 12 dishes. What do these 12 dishes represent?**

Internet Resource: [Polish Christmas Traditions](#)

<http://www.polishworld.com/christmas/food.htm>

26. **A familiar tradition in Norway involves putting a bowl of rice pudding out for the barn elf. Why is this done?**

Internet Resource: [Christmas in Norway](#)

<http://www.whychristmas.com/cultures/norway.shtml>

