



**PREFEITURA DE SANTOS**  
**Secretaria de Educação**



**EXTRA ACTIVITIES      7<sup>th</sup> grade (30/11 a 11/12)**

1- **Read**(ler) the text. **Then**(então), responda(**answer**) the questions no seu caderno.

**Christmas in The United Kingdom (a little)**

In the UK (or Great Britain) families often celebrate Christmas together, so they can watch each other open their presents!

There are some customs that only take place or were started in the UK. **Boxing Day** is a very old custom that started in the UK and now taken as a holiday in many countries around the world.

Most families have a Christmas tree (or maybe even two) in their houses for Christmas. The decorating of the tree is usually a family occasion with everyone helping. Holly, Ivy and Mistletoe are also sometimes used to decorate homes or other buildings.

Most villages, towns and cities are decorated with Christmas lights. Often, a famous person switches them on. The most famous Christmas lights in the UK are in Oxford Street in London. Every year they get bigger and better. Thousands of people go to watch the big "switch on" around the beginning of November.

Children believe that Father Christmas or Santa Claus leaves presents in stockings or pillow - cases. These are normally hung up by the fire or by the children's beds on Christmas Eve.

In the UK, the main Christmas meal is usually eaten at lunchtime or early afternoon on Christmas Day. It is normally roast turkey, vegetables (for example, brussels-sprouts) and "all the trimming" which means vegetables like carrots & peas, stuffing and sometimes bacon and sausages. It is often served with cranberry sauce and bread sauce.

Dessert is often Christmas Pudding. Mince pies and lots of

chocolates are often eaten as well. The UK is also famous for Christmas cake, that is a rich fruit cake covered with marzipan and icing and often top with Christmas themed cake decorations like a spring of holly.

Available at <[www.whychristmas.com](http://www.whychristmas.com)>

2- Answer the questions:

a) What is the dessert served in the Christmas Day in the UK?

b) When (on the Christmas Day) is the main meal eaten there in the UK?

c) How do the families celebrate Christmas Day in UK?

d) How do the families decorate the Christmas tree?

e) Who often does "switch the lights on" in London, in Oxford Street?

f) What do the children believe about Santa Claus or Father Christmas?

g) What do you understand by Boxing Day? Do a research about that.

h) What are the differences between our Christmas Day and the Christmas Day in London? Do a research about that.

3- Marque no texto: a) as palavras cognatas (aquelas com grafia semelhante e mesmo significado das palavras que falamos, escrevemos na língua nativa - Português); b) aquelas que você já conhecia; c) as que você não sabe o significado, mas precisa procurar no dicionário ou na Internet para aprendê-las. Escreva no seu caderno.

**Obs.:** As respostas às questões podem ser realizadas em Português, **mas no seu caderno.**