



## Mrs Claus explains Christmas traditions

### 1. Match them up!



Match the words with the definitions.

Christmas traditions

a sweet

Mrs Claus

a very old story

pagan

things people always do at Christmas

to get into the Christmas spirit

to change slowly

a legend

Santa Claus's wife

a lolly

to do with a very old type of religion

to evolve

in Australia or New Zealand

a joke

an animal that helps Santa by pulling his sleigh

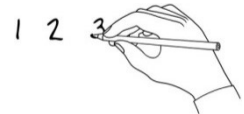
a reindeer

to get excited about Christmas

down under

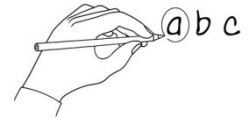
something funny to make people laugh

### 2. What's the order?



Watch the video. In what order does Mrs Claus talk about these things?

	Christmas in Australia
	The Christmas stocking tradition
1	The ancient pagan festival called Saturnalia
	The Christmas tree tradition
	Celebrating with gifts and special meals
	The Christmas cracker tradition



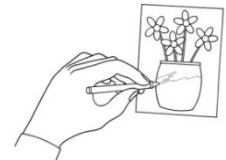
3. Choose the answer!

Watch the video. Circle the correct answer.

- a. Where did the idea of Christmas trees start?  
 in Australia                      **in Germany**                      in the UK
- b. When do people traditionally put out a Christmas stocking?  
 on Christmas Eve                      on Christmas Day                      on New Year's Eve
- c. In the legend, what did Saint Nicholas put in the stockings of three poor sisters?  
**presents**                      sweets                      gold coins
- d. When do people usually pull Christmas crackers?  
 on Christmas Eve                      on Christmas Day                      on New Year's Day
- e. What's usually in a Christmas cracker today?  
**money and gold**                      chocolate and fruit                      a party hat and a joke
- f. What's the weather usually like in Australia at Christmas?  
**hot**                      rainy                      cold

4. Write and draw!

Do you celebrate Christmas or another important festival? What special traditions do you have? Write about them and draw a picture!



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