1. The Night Before Christmas

Here we are again. Another Christmas and a brief break from classes. This week's lesson focuses on some Christmas vocabulary (in a wordsearch and a crossword) for lower level students. Merry Christmas and see you all in the New Year.

Level
Pre-intermediate

How to use the lesson
1. Give each student in the class a copy of Worksheet A. Give them a limit of four minutes to read the story, paying particular attention to the words in **bold**.

2. After they have finished reading the story, give each student a copy of Worksheet B and ask them to complete the crossword. The pictures represent each word in **bold** from Worksheet A. Tell them they can refer back to the story to check for meaning. (On a cultural note, your students may not be aware that it is customary for people in some countries to kiss under a sprig of mistletoe at Christmas).

3. Check answers in open class. The wordsearch on Worksheet A can be given as homework.

Wordsearch Answers

g	s	r	v	p	r	h	i	c	z	n	s	c	e	s
i	z	u	x	v	g	e	a	m	f	h	h	t	n	t
w	w	f	a	i	p	n	i	u	h	r	q	k	i	o
m	a	c	e	l	d	i	e	n	i	v	j	u	w	c
e	b	l	i	t	o	z	h	s	d	l	a	u	d	k
t	s	v	e	v	o	a	t	x	k	e	j	n	e	i
o	a	s	z	i	k	m	t	z	b	t	e	e	l	n
s	e	t	r	u	a	b	r	n	s	s	o	r	l	g
e	p	r	e	s	e	n	t	s	a	t	t	r	u	l
h	c	y	t	h	o	l	l	y	e	s	w	a	m	e
l	s	r	e	g	n	i	s	l	o	r	a	c	r	s
s	e	s	h	k	i	t	t	r	k	h	c	h	g	n
e	b	e	o	f	r	s	p	j	n	z	l	p	z	i
u	z	j	o	i	i	u	r	s	n	v	j	l	i	t
p	q	z	x	m	u	s	t	b	a	u	b	l	e	s

Crossword Answers

1. mulled wine	6. mistletoe	11. stocking
2. presents	7. Santa Claus	12. candles
3. carol singers	8. baubles	13. reindeer
4. turkey	9. star	14. holly
5. Christmas tree	10. tinsel	15. sleigh

2. Related Websites

Send your students to these websites, or just take a look yourself.

http://www.christmas.com/worldview/
Christmas around the world

http://www.holidays.net/christmas/
Christmas on the Net

http://www.howstuffworks.com/christmas.htm
The complete guide to Christmas traditions