



CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS IN GB

HOLLY and IVY: used to decorate the house or Xmas tree (houx et lierre)

MISTLETOE: under which you kiss to wish good luck (gui)

CRIB : put at the foot of the Xmas tree (crèche)

BOXING DAY: day when people raise funds for the poor or open their presents

TURKEY AND CHESTNUTS: what you eat on Xmas day (dinde aux marrons)

BOAR'S HEAD: what people used to eat on Xmas day (hure de sanglier)

XMAS PUDDING: Xmas dessert/ cake with raisins , nuts , cherries and brandy or custard (crème anglaise)

CRACKERS: object wrapped in paper used to decorate the table and 2 people pull one end then it cracks /bangs and you can find a paper crown ; a joke and a gift in it

SANTA CLAUS: Saint Nicolas ; Father Xmas ; in the past he was in green but now (due to Coca Cola) he's in red and white!

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND 'ROBINS': the cards are sent to friends or relatives by the 'robins ' (postmen)

XMAS CAROLS: songs sung by youngsters on Xmas time

TWELFTH NIGHT : from 26 12 to 06 01 : 12 days so 06 01 is the 12th night when the Magi brought presents to Jesus. (Epiphanie)

