Christmas traditions in Austria and Great Britain

FILL IN evening – fireplace – Santa/Father Christmas – presents – gets – tree – Christ – Christmas – songs – children – 24th

Christmas in Austria



Christmas market in Graz

People celebrate Christmas, because _____ was born on this day. The most important celebration is on _____ December – Christmas Eve, where the 'Christkind' ('Christ child') brings presents to the children and puts them under the _____. The family comes together: they eat and drink together and then they see the Christmas tree, sing _____ and everybody opens their _____. Many people go to church on Christmas Eve or Day. The most famous Christmas song is '*Silent night'* ('*Stille Nacht'*) which was written in a village in Salzburg in 1818. It has been translated into 320 languages and dialects worldwide. On _____ Day (25th) the family and relatives come together.

| New vocabulary: | born | Christmas Eve - | presents |
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| translate | _ relatives | | |

Christmas in Great Britain



Santa, chimney and Christmas tree

Christmas trees are traditionally put up at the beginning of Advent – the fourth Sunday before Christmas. On 24th December the ______ hang the stockings at the ______ or next to their bed and wait for ______ to come. The most important day is Christmas day: on the 25th everybody ______ up early and opens the presents. Christmas lunch is very important. Many families eat turkey, roast beef or goose.

| stockings | Christmas Day | turkey |
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| goose | roast beef | |