

Daily Life - Christmas Traditions (C0336)

A: What are you doing awake?

B: I can't sleep...

A: But it's almost midnight!

B: Exactly. I'm too excited for Christmas morning. Also, I thought I heard Santa.

A: Really? How do you know it was Santa?

B: Well I heard that naughty boys and girls get coal in their stockings, so I thought I'd be nice and make Santa cookies. I even left out some milk. I heard someone in the kitchen eating the cookies, so I came downstairs!

A: Hmm... well I know that Santa won't come down the chimney with you hiding behind the tree, spying on him!

B: Really?

A: Really! Let's go back upstairs and get back to bed. That way, we can let Santa do his job. Then when you wake up, it will be Christmas already!

B: O-K...

A: Hey, honey! Is that you? Don't eat all the cookies
- I want some, too!

Key Vocabulary

midnight	<i>N</i>	twelve AM
christmas	<i>N</i>	the annual festival of the Christian church commemorating the birth of Jesus
santa	<i>N</i>	a figure of Christmas who brings presents to kids
naughty	<i>A</i>	disobedient; mischievous
coal	<i>N</i>	a black or dark-brown mineral
stocking	<i>N</i>	large sock; traditionally Christmas gifts are put in

cookie	<i>N</i>	a sweet baked food
chimney	<i>N</i>	a usually vertical structure that allows the passage of smoke
spying	<i>V</i>	to observe secretly

Supplementary Vocabulary

elf	<i>N</i>	a creature with magical powers, often mischievous
reindeer	<i>N</i>	a type of large deer
angel	<i>N</i>	a spiritual being said to be from heaven
snow	<i>N</i>	ice crystals which fall from the sky
sled	<i>N</i>	a small vehicle consisting of a platform mounted on runners for use in traveling over snow or ice.