**Customs and traditions**

**observe, overeat, excessive, thoroughly**

**…………………………customs**

**…………………………during Christmas dinner**

**……………………….amount of presents**

**………………………….clean your house**

, family, adorn , unwrap, attend , deeply rooted , hand down /pass down , maintain , cultivate , share , make/exchange, abandon/ move away from, commemorate,

* traditions
* reunion
* customs
* birth of Jesus
* feast
* presents
* with
* wafer
* from generation to generation
* wishes
* Decorate Christmas tree : artificial / real
* with baubles / balls , tinsels , ornaments, chains – vivid colours , neutral colours , elegant / flamboyant , glittery , twinkling lights , bids , wreath , mistletoe

Christmas Eve: solemn , festive , jolly ,

* Evening dinner - dumplings, carp, stuffed cabbage with rice , red borsch with ravioli sauerkraut with ham , prune compote, sour rye soup/white borsch , pea soup, gingerbread, poppyseed cake
* Sing carols – verse , lyrics , sing along
* Attend midnight mass, pray
* Raise sensitive subjects / stay away from / draw sb into argument/ alter the subject /

**New year’s Eve**

**tipsy , flood , surpass , vivid , mixed , plastered , appeal, , whale, overwhelmed , jaw-dropping ,light up, squeeze , scatter, buzzing , beverages, wild**

A lot of people were ………………………after New Year’s eve party .

That performance was extraordinary It ……………………………………………my expectations

When you …………………………..fireworks you need to cautious not to burn your hands

I have ……………………………….feelings about that concert It didn’t blow me away. It was ok

The band didn’t ………………………………to me personally . It was not my cup of tea

That New Year’s Eve was ……………………………..and ………………………………..I was a bit ……………………..after few shots. Some of my friends got ……………………………..

I was………………………………………by massive fireworks

We had a lot of……………………………… during New Year’s Eve including , whiskey , champagne and soft drinks,

I had a ………………………………of time at a ball It was stunning

Display of fireworks in London was …………………………………., absolutely spectacular

People …………………………………….into the market square to watch the concert . After the concert they …………………………..in all directions . There was such a ………………………………….that I couldn’t breathe