

ESL Conversation Club: Winter Holidays

Warm-up:

Whether the weather be cold,
Or whether the weather be hot,
We'll weather the weather
Whatever the weather,
Whether we like it or not!

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Twelve twins twirled twelve twigs

Conversation Questions in Groups of 2 People:

- Do you celebrate any winter holidays in your country? If yes, which ones?
- What are some typical winter holiday traditions in your region?
- How do you usually celebrate winter holidays with your family or friends?
- What are some favorite foods or dishes you eat during the winter holidays?
- Have you ever participated in a winter holiday parade or event?
- What do you like the most about winter holidays?
- Do you exchange gifts during the winter holidays? What gifts do you give and receive?
- How do you decorate your home or school for the winter holidays?
- Have you ever visited a winter holiday market or festival? Describe your experience.
- Do you have any special winter holiday memories or stories?

- How do winter holidays compare to other holidays in your country?
- Have you ever volunteered or participated in charity activities during the winter holidays?
- Do you think winter holidays are more about giving or receiving?
- What are some popular winter holiday songs or movies in your country?
- How do you feel when winter holidays approach each year?
- Have you ever celebrated winter holidays in a different country? How was it different?
- What is the weather usually like during winter holidays in your country?
- Do you have any favorite winter holiday traditions that you look forward to each year?
- How do you express gratitude or thankfulness during the winter holidays?
- What are your future plans for winter holidays?



Vocabulary to Practice

- Winter (noun) - the coldest season of the year, between autumn and spring.
- Holiday (noun) - a time when you do not have to go to work or school because of a public event such as a religious festival, or a day when a special event or person is remembered.
- Celebrate (verb) - to take part in special enjoyable activities in order to show that a particular occasion is important.
- Tradition (noun) - a belief, custom, or way of doing something that has existed for a long time among a particular group of people.
- Food (noun) - things that people and animals eat, such as vegetables or meat.
- Family (noun) - a group of people who are related to each other, especially parents and their children.
- Friends (noun) - people who you know well and who you like a lot.
- Decorate (verb) - to add something to an object or place, especially in order to make it more attractive.
- Gift (noun) - something that you give to someone, for example, to show your love or friendship, or to thank them.
- Winter sports (noun) - sports that are played or take place during the winter, especially on snow or ice.
- Festival (noun) - a special day or period, usually in memory of a religious event, with its own social activities, food, or ceremonies.
- Parade (noun) - a large number of people walking or in vehicles, all going in the same direction, usually as part of a public celebration of something.
- Snow (noun) - the small, soft, white pieces of ice that sometimes fall from the sky when it is cold, or the white layer on the ground and other surfaces that it forms.
- Winter break (noun) - a period of time during winter when schools or universities are closed.
- Seasonal (adjective) - happening at or connected with a particular time of year.
- Fireworks (noun) - small objects that are lit to produce a bright explosion when they burn, used especially at celebrations.
- Cold (adjective) - having a lower temperature than is normal or comfortable.
- Warm (adjective) - having or producing a comfortably high temperature, although not hot.
- Celebratory (adjective) - used to describe an event or a feeling that is connected with celebrating something.
- New Year's Eve (noun) - the evening of December 31st, when people celebrate the end of the old year and the beginning of the new one.

