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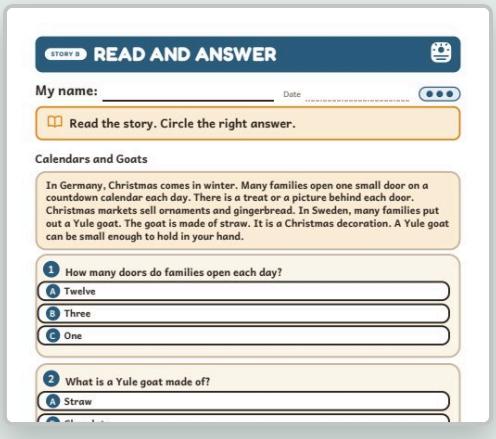
# CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

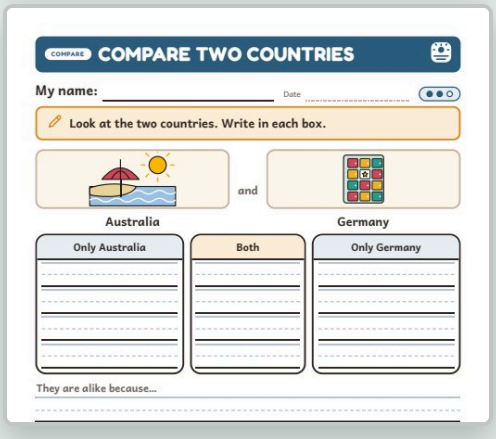
Six countries and their Christmas customs: a fact chart, three short passages, clue pages, fill in, compare two countries, write about your own family and cut and paste sort mats. A tracker and a family page. Print, or type the names and answers. PDF.

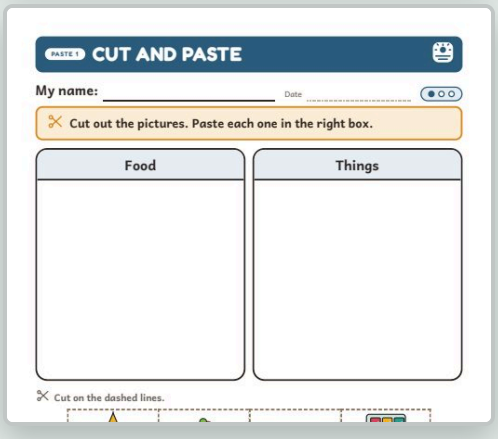












30 Pages | 6 Countries | 57 Items | Cut and Paste

BRIGHT PATH SPED

START HERE

# QUICK START

One complete kit for learning how Christmas is celebrated around the world. Children read a fact chart, match countries to pictures, use clues, read three short passages, fill in the word, compare two countries, write about their own family traditions and cut and paste onto sort mats — on pages with room to work, untimed.

## THREE STEPS

1. **Read the Fact Chart together**
   Page 5 has six countries, each with a custom and a picture. Read it aloud. The facts are plain: customs are written as what many families do.

2. **Hand over a page**
   Every student page opens with a name line and one short instruction, and the boxes are big. Nothing on it is written for you, so the child can start. The chart below says which page for which child; the dots at the top right are the only level code.

3. **Check it, record it, send it home**
   The answer keys are pages 20 and 21. Date each page on the tracker (page 22), roll a group up on page 23, and send the home page (25). A filled example is on page 26.

## WHICH PAGE, WHEN

| WHEN… | USE… |
|---|---|
| Meeting the countries for the first time | Fact Chart, page 5 · Match the Country, page 6 |
| Matches a word to a picture | Match the Country, page 6 · Fill It In A, page 11 |
| Needs to cut, paste and place | Cut and Paste, pages 17, 18, 19 |
| Ready to use a clue | Which Country?, page 7 · Draw It, page 16 |
| Ready to read a short story | Read and Answer, pages 8, 9, 10 |
| Ready to write and compare | Fill It In B, page 12 · Compare, pages 13, 14 |
| Ready to write about their own life | My Family Traditions, page 15 · home page 25 · phrase bank 27 |

### Everything inside (30 pages)

- **15 student pages** in 9 page types: Fact Chart, Match the Country, Which Country?, Read and Answer, Fill It In, Compare Two Countries, My Family Traditions, Draw It and Cut and Paste
- **57 scored items** on 11 pages, every answer computed in code
- **3 short reading passages** with 3 questions each, and **6 countries** on the chart
- **24 cut-and-paste pieces** on 3 sort mats
- **2 answer keys, 1 tracker, 1 class grid**, 1 team note, 1 home page, 1 filled example, 1 phrase bank, 1 binder cover and 6 divider tabs

### About the content

This is an informational set about customs: what families in six countries do around Christmas, such as parties, lanterns, a straw goat, a countdown calendar, a day at the beach or a gift of books. It says “many families” because families celebrate in many ways, and not every family celebrates Christmas. The writing pages take any holiday or special day. Read it to your class the way you would any social studies page, and add what your own students want to share.

# LOOK FACT CHART

My name: _____ Date .....

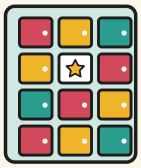
Read the chart. Look at each picture.

## Mexico



Many families have posadas, parties in the nine nights before Christmas. Children break a piñata full of treats.

## Germany



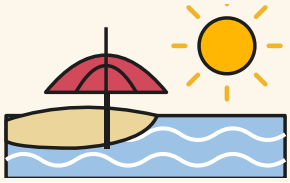
Christmas comes in winter. Many families open one small door on a countdown calendar each day. Markets sell ornaments and gingerbread.

## Sweden



Many families put out a Yule goat made of straw. It is a Christmas decoration.

## Australia



Christmas comes in summer. Many families eat outside, have a barbecue or go to the beach.

## Philippines



Families hang a parol, a star-shaped lantern, in a window. The Christmas season starts very early, often in September.

## Iceland



On Christmas Eve many families give books and read together. Children set a shoe in the window and may find a small gift.

### Words to know

custom | posada | parol | market | Yule goat | summer

### Your turn. Write what you know.

Custom means _____

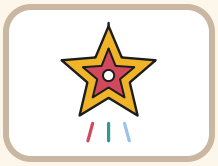
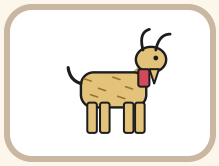
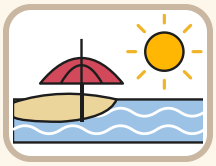
Parol means _____

# SET A MATCH THE COUNTRY

My name: _____ Date .....

Read the country. Circle its picture. Write its number.

**1** Australia

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Number |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  | ☐ |

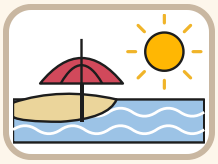
**2** Sweden

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Number |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  | ☐ |

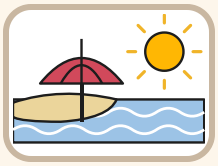
**3** Mexico

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Number |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  | ☐ |

**4** Iceland

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Number |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  | ☐ |

**5** Germany

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Number |
|---|---|---|---|---|
|  |  |  |  | ☐ |

SET A

# WHICH COUNTRY?

My name: _____ Date .....

Read the clue. Circle the country. Write its number.

**1** Families open a small door on a calendar each day.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Australia | Germany | Iceland | Philippines |

Number ☐

**2** Families put out a goat made of straw.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Philippines | Iceland | Sweden | Germany |

Number ☐

**3** Families give books on Christmas Eve.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Iceland | Sweden | Philippines | Germany |

Number ☐

**4** It is summer at Christmas, so families go to the beach.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Philippines | Australia | Mexico | Sweden |

Number ☐

**5** Families hang a star-shaped lantern called a parol.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Germany | Mexico | Iceland | Philippines |

Number ☐

STORY B

# READ AND ANSWER

My name: _____ Date .....

Read the story. Circle the right answer.

## Calendars and Goats

In Germany, Christmas comes in winter. Many families open one small door on a countdown calendar each day. There is a treat or a picture behind each door. Christmas markets sell ornaments and gingerbread. In Sweden, many families put out a Yule goat. The goat is made of straw. It is a Christmas decoration. A Yule goat can be small enough to hold in your hand.

**1** How many doors do families open each day?

- A Twelve
- B Three
- C One

**2** What is a Yule goat made of?

- A Straw
- B Chocolate
- C Metal

**3** What do Christmas markets sell?

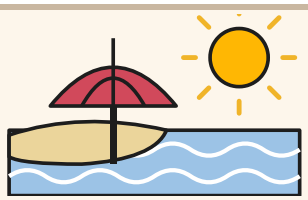
- A Kites and boats
- B Ornaments and gingerbread
- C Pumpkins and corn

COMPARE

# COMPARE TWO COUNTRIES

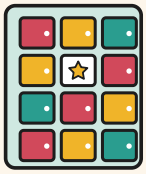
My name: _____ Date .....

Look at the two countries. Write in each box.



Australia

and



Germany

| Only Australia | Both | Only Germany |
| --- | --- | --- |
| | | |

They are alike because...

They are different because...

PASTE 1

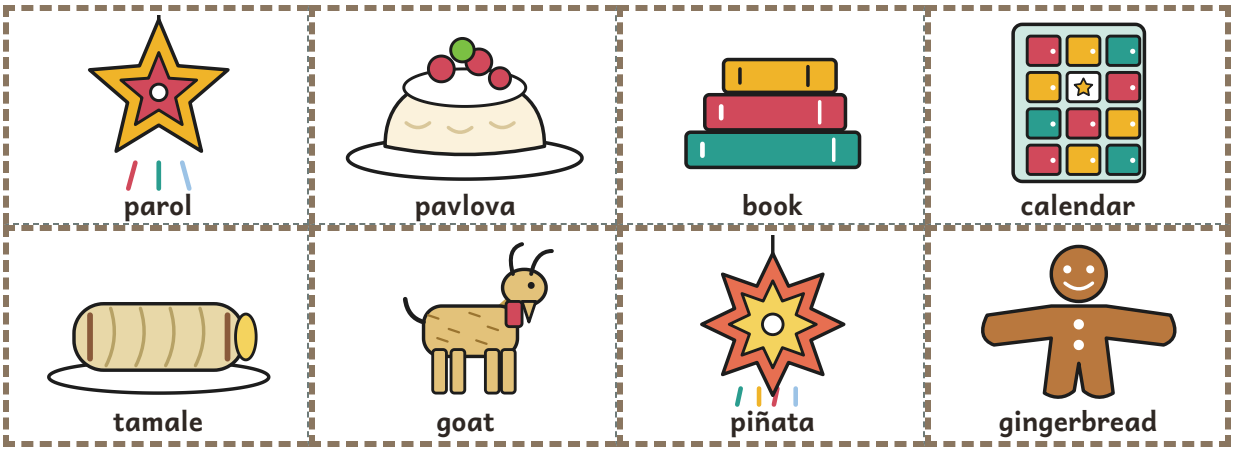
# CUT AND PASTE

My name: _____ Date .....

Cut out the pictures. Paste each one in the right box.

| Food | Things |
| --- | --- |
| | |

Cut on the dashed lines.



TRACKER

# CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD TRACKER

STUDENT _____ TEACHER _____ MONTH _____

| PAGE | PAGE TYPE AND SET | ITEMS | RIGHT | DATE | NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | Match the Country | 5 | | | |
| 7 | Which Country | 5 | | | |
| 8 | Read and Answer A | 3 | | | |
| 9 | Read and Answer B | 3 | | | |
| 10 | Read and Answer C | 3 | | | |
| 11 | Fill It In A | 5 | | | |
| 12 | Fill It In B | 5 | | | |
| 16 | Draw It A | 4 | | | |
| 17 | Cut and Paste 1 | 8 | | | |
| 18 | Cut and Paste 2 | 8 | | | |
| 19 | Cut and Paste 3 | 8 | | | |
| 13 | Compare Two Countries A (written) | – | | | |
| 14 | Compare Two Countries B (written) | – | | | |
| 15 | My Family Traditions A (written) | – | | | |

**How to fill this in**

Write how many items the child got right with no prompt, and the date. A blank means not tried yet, never wrong. There are 57 items on the 11 scored pages above. The Fact Chart (page 5) is not scored, and the three written pages have no right answer: write a check and the date when the child finishes. Answer keys: pages 20 and 21. Filled example: page 26.

THIS MONTH WE ARE WORKING ON (YOUR OWN WORDING)

# EXAMPLE PRIYA'S TRACKER

Priya N. is invented; nothing on this page describes a real student. The blank tracker is on page 22.

STUDENT **Priya N. (an invented student)**

TEACHER **Ms. Park (invented)**

MONTH **December**

| PAGE | PAGE TYPE AND SET | ITEMS | RIGHT | DATE | NOTES |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 6 | Match the Country | 5 | 5 | 12/1 | – |
| 7 | Which Country | 5 | 4 | 12/2 | Needed a prompt on one item |
| 8 | Read and Answer A | 3 | 2 | 12/3 | Needed a prompt on one item |
| 9 | Read and Answer B | 3 | – | – | – |
| 10 | Read and Answer C | 3 | – | – | – |
| 11 | Fill It In A | 5 | 5 | 12/4 | – |
| 12 | Fill It In B | 5 | – | – | – |
| 16 | Draw It A | 4 | 4 | 12/7 | – |
| 17 | Cut and Paste 1 | 8 | 8 | 12/8 | – |
| 18 | Cut and Paste 2 | 8 | – | – | – |
| 19 | Cut and Paste 3 | 8 | – | – | – |

### How to read it

Priya N. has done **6 of 11** scored pages and got **28 of 30** items right with no prompt. **4** pages were all right. Every number here comes from the table above.

### The family note this tracker would produce

"This month Priya finished 6 pages and got 28 of 30 items right. Priya needed a little help on one item on each of 2 pages; pointing to the sentence in the story that tells the answer is the next thing to practice." — every number in it is a row of the table above.

### What the table points to

2 pages carry a note and each is one item short of full. Pages left blank (5 of them) are not tried yet, never wrong.

THANK YOU **BEFORE YOU GO**

# THANK YOU FOR USING THIS RESOURCE

Everything here was built for the teacher who has a table of children who each need a different amount of support reading, comparing and sorting what they learn. If this helped, leaving feedback on TPT helps other teachers find it.

### Everything inside, one more time

- **15 student pages** in 9 page types, 57 scored items, every answer computed in code from the data behind the page.
- **3 short passages**, **24 cut-and-paste pieces** on 3 sort mats, **2 answer keys**, **2 compare pages** and **1 family traditions page**.
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### No real student anywhere in this file

The filled example on page 26 names "Priya N.," an invented student used only to show how the tracker fills in. No table, note or score anywhere in this resource describes a real child, and nothing here is a clinical judgment, an eligibility timeline, or a medical claim of any kind. Once you fill in a real student's name, the tracker, class grid and team note (pages 22, 23 and 24) do carry real information — keep completed pages secure the same way you would any other record.

### Something missing or wrong?

Please use the **Ask a Question** tab on the product page first — every question is read, and a fix to the file is a free update you re-download from **My Purchases**.

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More informational reading and sorting worksheets for the same table.




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A fact chart, the menorah, short passages, fill in and cut and paste.




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Six animal passages, true or false, who am I and sort mats.




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