

PROBĂ  
PENTRU ÎNSCRIEREA  
ÎN PROGRAMUL  
„PAȘI SPRE EXCELENȚĂ”  
DISCIPLINA  
LIMBA ENGLEZĂ

NUME .....

PRENUME .....

INIȚIALA TATĂLUI .....

Școala de proveniență .....

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Centrul de examen .....

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Supraveghetori .....

- Timp de lucru: 60 minute
  - Punctaj total: 100 puncte.  
Se acordă 10 puncte din oficiu.
- Read the text below:

### Christmas

Christmas is celebrated in around 160 countries around the world! Christmas celebrations can start from the beginning of December in some places, and in others they go on until January.

#### Christmas decorations

Christmas is a time for colourful decorations and lights. In many countries, people put up Christmas trees in their homes. These can be either real trees or artificial ones. They decorate them with lights, tinsel and baubles and often put a star on the top. In many towns and cities you can see lights and other decorations in the streets.

#### Christmas presents

Father Christmas, or Santa Claus, brings presents to many children around the world at Christmas! They sometimes get presents in a stocking – a large sock that children leave out when they go to bed on the night before Christmas. Other children get small presents in their shoes. In some countries, the presents come from other people, such as the Three Kings or the Baby Jesus.

#### Christmas food

Christmas food is different all over the world. Some people eat roast meat and potatoes, some eat fish, others eat soup or vegetable dishes. Many countries have traditional puddings, desserts, biscuits and cakes. Christmas is often a time for families to share delicious meals together.

#### A Christian Christmas

For many Christians around the world, Christmas is the time to remember the birth of the baby Jesus. In the UK, some schools have a nativity play, where children dress up and tell the story of Christmas. In many countries, there are nativity scenes in churches or in people's homes. Nativity scenes are small displays of figures, showing the different people and animals in the Christmas story.

#### Christmas weather

In lots of Christmas films, books and songs, there's snow, ice and snowmen. For some countries in the northern hemisphere, Christmas means cold, winter weather. But for a lot of countries in the southern hemisphere, Christmas is in summer, and people spend the day in the sun at the beach!

So, Christmas can be very different in different parts of the world, and each country has its own traditions. But in most places where Christmas is celebrated, it's a very special time of year. Merry Christmas!

**1. Decide if the sentences below are True (T) or False (F). (10 points)**

1. People celebrate Christmas in about 160 countries in the world.
2. Christmas celebrations are usually in February.
3. Some Christmas trees are not real trees.
4. Many children get their presents in a big hat.
5. Everywhere in the world, people eat meat and potatoes for Christmas.

**2. Fill in the blanks with *one* word from the list. (10 points)**













*traditional      artificial      decorations      tinsel      bauble*

1. Christmas \_\_\_\_\_ make your home look special for Christmas.
2. An \_\_\_\_\_ Christmas tree isn't a real tree. It's usually made of plastic.
3. Long pieces of shiny paper that you put on a Christmas tree are called \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a pretty ball that you put on a Christmas tree.
5. We do \_\_\_\_\_ things at Christmas. They're the same things that people have done for many years.

**3. Complete the sentences using the correct form of the verb. (10 points)**

1. Santa Claus \_\_\_\_\_ (live) in Lapland.
2. Rudolph's nose \_\_\_\_\_ (glow) right now.
3. At the moment we \_\_\_\_\_ (make) gingerbread cakes.
4. What \_\_\_\_\_ you \_\_\_\_\_ (do) this Christmas Eve?
5. My mum always \_\_\_\_\_ (tell) me to tidy my room before Christmas.

**4. Look at the table below and fill in the blanks with the correct information. (10 points)**

CHRISTMAS CHARACTERS				
	Grumpy	Kind	Good	Bad
Santa				
Rudolf				
The Grinch				

1. Rudolf is \_\_\_\_\_ than Santa. (*grumpy*)
2. Santa is \_\_\_\_\_ than The Grinch. (*kind*)
3. Santa is \_\_\_\_\_ of the three Christmas characters. (*good*)
4. The Grinch is \_\_\_\_\_ of the three Christmas characters. (*bad*).
5. The Grinch is \_\_\_\_\_ of the three Christmas characters (*grumpy*)

5. Look at the picture below.



A. Fill in the blank spaces with the correct preposition from the list. (10 points)

*above      between      next to      on      under*

1. The lamp is \_\_\_\_\_ the table.
2. The presents are \_\_\_\_\_ the Christmas tree.
3. The Christmas cards are \_\_\_\_\_ the clock.
4. The sofa is \_\_\_\_\_ the chimney and the Christmas tree.
5. The fairy lights are \_\_\_\_\_ the window.

B. Fill in with the missing preposition of time: *in, at, on*. (10 points)

It is one of my usual days. I get up (1) \_\_\_\_\_ 7 o'clock (2) \_\_\_\_\_ the morning, wash, dress and have breakfast. Then I go to school. There I have classes until 1 o'clock. After school, I go home and I have lunch. I usually do my homework afterwards. (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays I have tennis classes after school and I usually get home late. (9) \_\_\_\_\_ the weekend I usually spend time with my family and (10) \_\_\_\_\_ Sundays we usually eat lunch in town.

