

Holiday Essays

Christmas, 2003



For the 8 Student Exemplars in this packet, each begins with the student's 4-Square, and is followed either by both the color-coded "sloppy copy" and final copy, or simply by the final copy.

For the 4-square, the class worked together on the introductory and concluding paragraphs, and on selecting the categories. Each student chose his/her own supporting examples for the different categories.

To begin with,

✓ Decorations

- ✓ • Decorate house with lights
- ✓ • Decorate tree
- ✓ • make wreaths for front door

In addition,

✓ Family

✓ • snowball fights

✓ • go to ^{my} grandma's house

✓ • open presents together

My favorite holiday is

Christmas.

Hence,

On Christmas, we put up decorations, ~~we~~ do fun things

with our family and open presents.

Also,

✓ Presents

- ✓ • New clothes for everyone
- ✓ • empty stockings
- ✓ • Candy canes

Writing Holiday Essay

Nov, 25, 2003

Christmas

x My favorite ^{holiday} is Christmas.

x To begin with, we decorate our house a couple of days before Christmas. We hang up lights outside the house. We decorate my tree with new and old ornaments. We make a new wreath for the front door.

x In addition, I do fun things with my family on Christmas. We play in the snow and have snowball fights. We go to my ~~big~~ grandma's house. We open presents together.

x Also, on Christmas I get presents. My mom gets me new clothes. When I wake up I empty my stockings. I get candy, ~~from~~ from the Christmas tree.

x Hence, on Christmas we put up decorations, do fun things with our family, and open presents.

Writing
Holiday Essay

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Dec 5, 2023



Christmas

My favorite holiday is Christmas.

To begin with, we decorate our house a couple of days before Christmas. We hang up lights outside the house. We decorate my tree with new and old ornaments. We make a new wreath for the front door.

In addition, I do fun things with my family on Christmas. We play in the snow and have snowball fights. We go to my grandma's house. We open presents together.

Also, on Christmas I get presents. My mom gets me new clothes. When I wake up I empty my stocking. I get candy canes from the Christmas tree.

Hence, on Christmas we put up decorations, do fun things with our family, and open presents.

To start with,

✓ I Decorations

- 2 ✓ hang up lights
- 3 ✓ make wreaths
- 4 ✓ decorate tree

In addition,

✓ I Family

- 2 ✓ go to the mall and see Santa
- 3 ✓ snowball fights
- 4 ✓ go sledding

My favorite holiday is Christmas.

Hence,

Also,

✓ I Presents

- 2 ✓ empty stockings
- 3 ✓ excitement about new presents
- 4 ✓ new toys

on Christmas, we put up decorations

do things with our family and

open presents.

Writing Holiday Essay

Nov. 25, 2003

Christmas

~~x~~ My favorite holiday is Christmas.
Christmas.

~~x~~ To start with, we decorate the ~~house~~ house with Christmas things. We hang up ~~the~~ lights on the Christmas tree. We make wreaths for the front door. We decorate the tree with ~~the~~ ornaments.

~~x~~ In addition, on Christmas my family comes over to do fun things. My family and I go to the mall and see Santa. We have snowball fights. We go sledding together.

~~x~~ Also, on Christmas morning we open presents. We empty our stockings. There is excitement about new presents. I ~~get~~ get new toys.

~~x~~ ^{Hence,} On Christmas, we put up decorations, do things with our family, and open presents.

Writing
Holiday Essay

December
5th 2003



Christmas

My favorite holiday is Christmas. To start with, we decorate the house with Christmas things. We hang up lights on the Christmas tree. We make wreaths for the front door. We decorate the tree with ornaments.

In addition, on Christmas my family comes over to do fun things. My family and I go to the mall and see Santa. We have snowball fights. We go sledding together.

Also, on Christmas morning we open presents. We empty our stockings. There is excitement about new presents. I get new toys.

Hence, on Christmas we put up decorations, do things with our family, and open presents.

To begin with,

1. Decorations

- 4. decorate Christmas tree
- 2. decorate house
- 3. hang up lights

I addition,

1. Family

- 2. wake up and open presents together.
- 3. go sledding
- 4. snowball fights together

My favorite holiday is Christmas.

Also,

1. Presents

- 3. New games and toys
- 4. new clothes
- 2. Open stockings

As you can see,

On Christmas, we
put up decorations,
do ^{fun} things with our families
and open presents.

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Holiday Essay

4+

Dec. 7, 2003

Christmas

My favorite holiday is Christmas.

To begin with, we put up decorations on Christmas. I help my step Dad decorate the house. We hang up lights outside the house. Then we decorate the Christmas tree.

In addition, my family and I spend time together. A little while later we open presents. Then, we get bundled up and go sledding. After we get warmed up with some hot cocoa we go outside and have a snowball fight.

Also, we get lots of presents. Some of our presents are in our stockings and some are under the tree. We get new games and toys. We also get new clothes.

As you can see, on Christmas we put up decorations, do fun things with our family, and open presents.

To begin with,

Decorations

1. ~~wreath on door~~
2. ~~decorate house~~
3. ~~hang up lights~~
4. ~~decorate Christmas tree~~

In addition,

Family

2. ~~Wake up at 8:00 am to open presents together~~
3. ~~bake Christmas cookies~~
4. ~~I go to my Aunt Cathy's house~~

Name:

My favorite holiday is Christmas.

Also

Presents

2. empty stockings
3. get presents
4. eat M&M'S

In conclusion

On Christmas,
we put up decorations,
do fun things with our
family, and open presents.

Writing

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holiday essay

Dec. 25, 2013



Christmas

x My favorite holiday is Christmas.

x To begin with, we put up decorations on Christmas. We put up a wreath on the door. We put up lights on the tree. Then we put ornaments on the tree.

x In addition, I hang out with my family on Christmas. We wake up at 8am to open presents. My Mom and I bake Christmas cookies. We usually go to my Aunt's house.

x Also, we get presents on Christmas. My sister and I empty our stockings. After my parents get up we open presents. Then we eat M&M's.

x In conclusion, on Christmas we put up decorations, do fun things with our family, and open presents.

To begin with,

Decorations

- > • decorate Christmas tree
- > • hang up lights
- > • make ornaments

In addition,

Family

- go over to an ^{aunt's} house on Christmas eve
- make Christmas cards
- go to grandma's house

My favorite holiday
is Christmas.

Also,

Presents

- get presents from Christmas list
- presents new toys
- get candy cones in stocking

In conclusion

On Christmas, we
put up decorations,
do things with our
family, and open
presents (get to gether with family)

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Holiday Essay 4+

Dec. 5, 2003



Christmas

x My favorite holiday is Christmas.
x To begin with, we hang up decorations on Christmas. Before Christmas we decorate the Christmas tree. We also hang up lights around our house. Then we make a lot of ornaments.

x In addition, I spend time with my family on Christmas. On Christmas Eve my family and I go over to my aunt's house. Then on Christmas I go over to my grandma's house. Every year I make Christmas cards for my family.

x Also, I get presents on Christmas. On Christmas Eve I get presents from my Christmas list. I get new presents and toys. Santa puts a candy cane in my stocking.

x In conclusion, on Christmas we put up decorations, do things with our family, and open presents.

To begin with,

✓ Decorations

2. we hang a wreath wreath
3. decorate house with lights
4. make Christmas ornaments

In addition,

✓ Family

1. watch the Macy's parade
2. go to the mall and see Santa
3. watch movies with family

My favorite holiday is
Christmas.

Also,

✓ Presents

- new clothes
- we open stockings
- present new games, new toys

In conclusion

On Christmas, we
put up decorations, do fun
things with our family and
open presents.

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Holiday Essay

4x

Dec. 5, 2003



Christmas

X My favorite holiday is Christmas. X To begin with, we hang decorations in our house on Christmas. We hang a wreath on our door. We also decorate our house with lights. We make ornaments for our tree.

X In addition, my family comes over on Christmas. We watch the Macy's parade. We also go to the mall and see Santa. We watch movies together.

X Also, on Christmas we open presents. We get new clothes. We open stockings. We get new games and new toys.

X In conclusion, on Christmas, we put up decorations, do fun things with our family, and open presents.

To begin with,

1 | Decorations

- 2 • decorate Christmas tree
- 3 • hang up lights
- 4 • make wreaths

In addition,

1 | Family

- 2 • do snowball fights
- 3 • open presents
- go sledding

Name:

My favorite Holiday
is Christmas.

also,

1 | Presents

- Play Station 2
- 2 • get a PS2.
 - 3 • get new games
 - 4 • get new clothes

As you can see,

On Christmas, we
put up decorations,
do things with our
family, and open
presents.

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Holiday
Essay

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Christmas

X My favorite holiday is Christmas.

X To begin with, we put up decorations on Christmas. We will decorate the Christmas ^{tree}. Outside of my house I will hang up lights. I will make a wreath for the door.

X In addition, my family gets together on Christmas. My family and I do snowball fights. We open presents together. I'm going sledding with my family.

X Also, I will open presents on Christmas. I hope I get a PlayStation 2. Also I will get new games. I want to get new clothes.

X As you can see, on Christmas we put up decorations, do things with our family, and open presents.

To begin with,

✓ Decorations

- ✓ • Decorate Christmas tree
- ✓ • Make ornaments
- ✓ • Hang lights

In addition,

✓ Family

- ✓ • Snowball fights
- ✓ • Go sledding
- ✓ • We eat food

Name:

My favorite holiday is
Christmas.

Also,

✓ Presents

2. ^{toys + clothes} Empty stockings
3. Candy canes
4. Under tree or in a stocking.

Hence,

On Christmas, we put up
Fun
decorations, do things with
our family, and open presents.

Writing
Holiday Essay

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Dec. 5, 2003

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Christmas

My favorite holiday is Christmas.

To begin with, we decorate the house at Christmas time. Before Christmas we decorate the Christmas tree. We also make ornaments to hang up. Then my dad hangs up the Christmas lights.

In addition, my family comes over for Christmas. We have snowball fights together. Also my dad and brother take me sledding. We eat a special dinner together.

Also, on Christmas we open presents. Some are toys and some are clothes. Another present I get is candy canes. My presents are usually in a stocking or under the Christmas tree.

Hence, on Christmas we put up decorations, do fun things with our family, and open presents.