

## Traditions

What is a tradition? Try to describe it in your own words.

Tradition is a habit, a repetitive behavior characteristic of a person, family, group of people, country. Traditions can be remembered by people, they can also be reflected in books and films.

Describe one tradition you have from your home country or you celebrate with your family. It can be how you celebrate holidays, birthdays, or something you enjoy doing with your family. You can use a few words from your native language such as names.

The family has a long tradition of celebrating the new year. First of all, the whole family gathers. The female part takes part in the preparation of the festive table, and the male part, together with the children, decorates the New Year tree with toys. Exactly at 12 o'clock at night a bottle of champagne is opened and drunk and everyone wishes each other a Happy New Year. Children run to the tree to open gifts which Santa Clause (in Russian tradition Ded Moroz - grandpa Cold) put under the tree. There are many salads, meat and fish dishes on the table. After children go to bed, the adults are watching numerous holiday TV shows.

