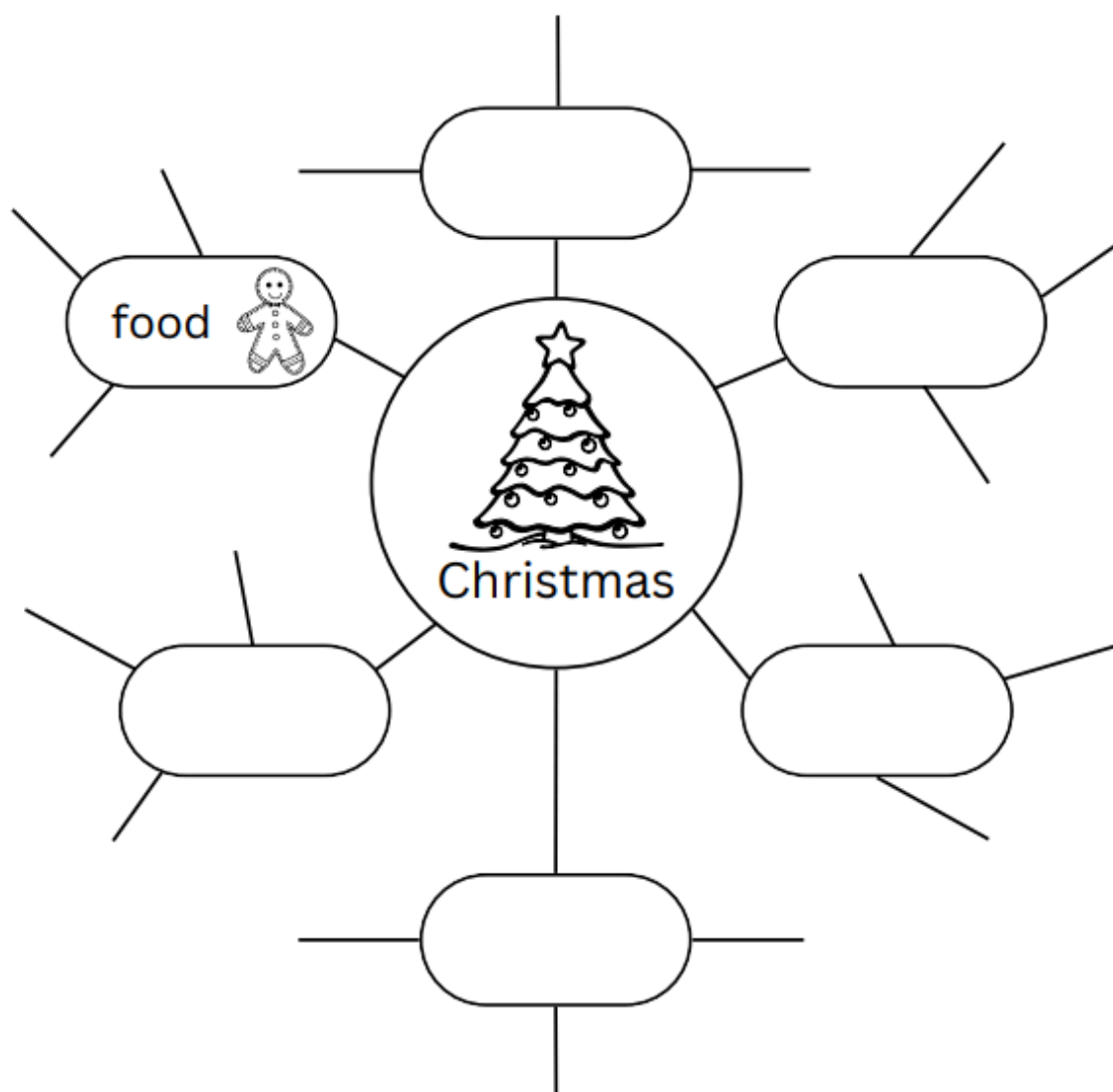




Christmas traditions in Great Britain

English Speaking R 6

- ③ Complete the Christmas mind map. Add even more lines and write down words that you already know and sort them by category, for example food that you eat on Christmas.





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- ④ Read the following text „Christmas in Great Britain“ and highlight important information.



Christmas in Great Britain

Christmas season starts with Advent that is the four Sundays before Christmas. Some German Christmas traditions even made it to Great Britain! Advent candles with 25 marks on them and Advent calendars with 24 or 25 doors are popular too. Nowadays there are quite a few Christmas markets too. In Great Britain writing Christmas cards is a very important tradition. In the Christmas season carol singing is very popular too. And there are lots of Christmas pantomimes on at the theatres. These funny plays usually retell a well-known fairy tale such as Cinderella.

Christmas Eve is exciting for the children because they believe Father Christmas or Santa Claus will come during the night (on a sleigh pulled by reindeers), enter the house through a chimney and eat a mince pie or other Christmas cookies and drink a glass of milk they have put on the table for him. He will then fill the Christmas stocking and put presents under the tree. All the presents are opened on Christmas morning on the 25th of December. There is usually a big Christmas dinner at about 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Traditional foods are roast turkey with gravy, Brussels sprouts, parsnips and other vegetables. The traditional desert is a kind of fruit cake which is called Christmas pudding. In many families it is also a tradition to watch the King's Christmas speech. After that it is party time with Christmas crackers, party hats and games.

December 26 is called Boxing Day. The name goes back to the tradition that presents for friends are put into boxes. Today many shops and supermarkets are open on that day, so people can spend their money on even more presents.



Words

marks - Zeichen, Markierung
nowadays - heutzutage
carol singing - Weihnachtssingen
Christmas pantomimes - Weihnachtsspiel
to retell - etwas nacherzählen
well-known - bekannt
exciting - aufregend
during - während
sleigh - Schlitten



reindeer - Rentier
chimney - Schornstein
mince pie = süßes Gebäck
stocking - Strumpf
roast turkey - Putenbraten
gravy - Bratensoße
brussels sprouts - Rosenkohl
parsnips - Pastinake
Christmas cracker - Knallbonbon



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- ⑤ Fill in the table below with the information about traditions in Great Britain from the text. Then complete the table with information about your (Christmas) traditions.
Tip: If you don't celebrate Christmas, you can choose another holiday.

	Great Britain	My (Christmas) tradition	My friend's (Christmas) tradition
When do you celebrate and how is it called?			
What do you do on that day?			
What do you eat on that day?			
What else is important?			

- ⑥ Meet up with a „Lernpartner/ Lernpartnerin“ in the „Marktplatz“ and compare your solutions. Then present your (Christmas) traditions to each other and fill in the category „My friend's (Christmas) tradition“.





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- ⑦ Now record yourself presenting your „Lernpartner/ Lernpartnerin“ (Christmas) traditions with the help of your iPad. Play the recording to your him *her and repeat the recording if necessary. If you are finished, send this recording to your "Lernbegleiter Lernbegleiterin"* (AirDr

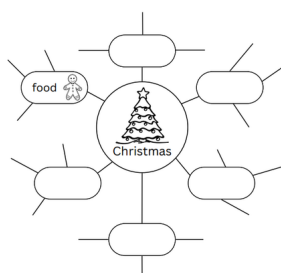


Useful phrases

I'm excited to share with you the (Christmas) traditions of...
... comes from ... and I will share with you how they celebrate...
Interestingly...
He/ she shared with me that...
In... (the 24th of December) is called...
On that day...
Every (Christmas Eve...) they (do/ eat/ have the tradition that...)....
A typical thing to (do/ eat...) is...

- ⑧ Write the words you have learnt into the Christmas mind map. Use a different colour than before.

Reminder:



Words

to record - aufnehmen
recording - Aufnahme
reminder - Erinnerung

