



Boxing Day

December 26th is known as Boxing Day in **Canada** and the **United Kingdom**. **Australia, New Zealand, the Bahamas, South Africa and Nigeria** also celebrate this holiday, because these countries used to be **British colonies**.

Originally, this was the day when **gifts** were given to the **poor people**.

Today, people **in Canada go shopping** on this day.

In Britain, Australia and New Zealand it's also a day for **sports**. People will watch **soccer, rugby and cricket**.

In **Ireland**, Boxing Day is celebrated as **St. Stephen's Day**. People dress up in **costumes**, often made of **straw**.

In the **Bahamas**, Boxing Day is the start of **Junkanoo**. People dress up in **fun costumes** and **masks** and have **parades**.



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English 5

Find the correct translation. *Finde die richtige Übersetzung.*

1 to celebrate

- ☐ feiern
- ☐ Fest
- ☐ sich freuen

2 countries

- ☐ Felder
- ☐ Länder
- ☐ Müsliriegel

3 poor

- ☐ reich
- ☐ wenig
- ☐ arm

4 costumes

- ☐ Hosen
- ☐ Kostüme
- ☐ Anzüge

Connect question and answer. *Verbinde Frage und Antwort.*

Where do people dress up in costumes made of straw? •

Do other countries celebrate this day? •

Where does Boxing Day mark the start of something? •

Is December 26th a special day in the United Kingdom? •

What happened on Boxing Day? •

○ Yes, Boxing Day is a special day in the United Kingdom.

○ Yes, some other countries also celebrate Boxing Day.

○ On Boxing Day presents were given to the poor.

○ In Ireland people dress up in costumes made of straw to celebrate St. Stephen's Day.

○ In the Bahamas Boxing Day is the start of Junkanoo.

Bring the words into the correct order. *Bringe die Wörter in die richtige Reihenfolge.*

celebrated — in — **Boxing** — is — Day — December — 26th

shopping — watch — go — or — **Today,** — sports — people

celebrate — Day — also — countries — **Other** — Boxing

