

Jingle bells, jingle bells... Have you done your Christmas shopping yet? Watch this video to see how a shop is getting ready for Christmas.

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises to check your understanding. If you need help, you can read the transcript at any time.

1. Preparation: matching

Match the vocabulary with the correct definitions and write a – f next to the number 1 – 6.

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| 1..... window display | a. going to the shops to look for Christmas presents for your family and friends |
| 2..... the Victorian era | b. an arrangement of goods in a shop window to attract customers |
| 3..... luxury goods | c. products that are expensive and high-quality but not essential for everyday life |
| 4..... to stare | d. to be small enough to go in a particular space |
| 5..... Christmas shopping | e. a period in British history, from 1837 to 1901 |
| 6..... to fit | f. to look at something for a long time |

2. Check your understanding: multiple choice

Circle the correct answers.

- What kind of things do Fortnum & Mason (the shop in the video) sell?
a. discount goods b. luxury goods c. electrical goods
- What's the theme of this year's Christmas window displays in Fortnum & Mason?
a. trees and nature b. food and drink c. dancing and shows
- How does Paul Symes, the designer of the window displays, feel just before the displays are revealed?
a. very proud b. very excited c. very nervous
- When did Christmas shopping become such an important tradition in Britain?
a. two thousand years ago b. in the Victorian era c. within the last twenty years
- What are Fortnum & Mason's biggest-selling Christmas items?
a. Christmas hampers b. Christmas crackers c. Christmas trees
- What's inside Christmas hampers?
a. toys b. flowers c. foods and drinks

3. Check your vocabulary: gap fill – Christmas things

Complete the gaps with words from the box.

Christmas lights	Christmas story	Christmas shopping
Christmas traditions	Christmas list	Christmas dinner

- At Christmas, children make a _____. It contains all the presents they would like to get from Father Christmas.
- It's a good idea to get your _____ done early, because the shops get very busy just before Christmas.
- It's a beautiful sight to see colourful _____ twinkling at night in streets, shops and homes.
- The _____ is about the birth of Jesus.
- It's traditional to have a big _____ of roast turkey.
- There are many _____ in Britain, such as eating mince pies, pulling Christmas crackers and hanging mistletoe over a doorway.

Do you look forward to Christmas?

What Christmas traditions do you have in your country?

Do you prefer giving presents or receiving them?

Vocabulary Box

Write any new words you have learnt in this lesson.



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