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## Игра „Рождественский футбол“ для учащихся 5–6-х классов

### Подготовка к игре

Участники игры делятся на две команды по 11 человек в каждой:

- вратарь — 1
- полузащитники — 4
- защитники — 4
- нападающие — 2

Команды должны придумать себе название и гимн, который они исполняют в начале игры, выстроившись на игровом поле. Все игроки одеты в футболки одного цвета.

Для ворот натянуть две сетки — гирлянды. Для рефери приготовить свисток.

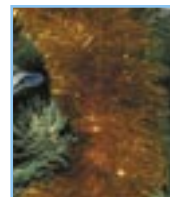
### Правила игры

Все задания выполняются от вратаря, который передает пас полузащитникам, те, в свою очередь, защитникам и нападающим. После того как все ответили, чтобы забить гол, нужно успеть первыми донести мяч (задание) к воротам, в которых стоят рефери.

### 1st half

#### 1. Christmas pictures

Match the picture and the word. 1 point for each correct answer.



1. Candles
2. Christmas tree
3. Ribbons
4. Santa Claus
5. Gifts
6. Candy cane

7. Wreath
8. Stockings
9. Ornament
10. Bell
11. Tinsels
12. Star

## 2. Christmas Song game

*How to play:*

the teams are to guess the melody. If the team guesses the introduction to a song it gets a point.

### Christmas songs to guess:

Jingle Bells  
Oh, Christmas Tree  
Deck the Halls  
Sing Noel  
The Twelve Days of Christmas  
Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow!  
It's Christmas day today  
Frosty the Snowman  
We wish you a merry Christmas  
All around the world  
Silent Night



While the referees are calculating the number of points for each team the teacher can tell the story of the song *Silent Night*.

*Silent Night* is the most popular Christmas carol around the world. It is the song that stopped a war. On Christmas Eve during World War I, German soldiers held up Christmas trees lit with candles in the trenches and began singing *Silent Night*: "Stille nacht, heilige nacht." Soon the British soldiers joined them in the singing of this beautiful song. The soldiers from both sides left the trenches and met in the middle and some of them even exchanged gifts. The fighting stopped and there was "peace on Earth" for that one night in history.

## 3. Cotton Beard game

*How to play:*

The teams line up and put some vaseline or other cream all over their face or chin. The point of the game is to run to the other side of the room, put the face into a bowl of cotton and stick as many cotton balls as possible to the face or chin and then run back so that the next person can go. The winning team is the one who has the most cotton balls in the shortest time.

## 4. Draw on Your Head game

*How to play:*

Everyone places the English text book on their head with a piece of blank paper on it. The game presenter gives instructions. Without looking, the participants have to draw what the presenter says on the piece of paper on their head. For example the presenter says: "Draw a Christmas tree. Draw a star on top of your tree. Draw a present under the Christmas tree. Draw a Fireplace. Stick a stocking on your fireplace. That's it."

*Scoring:* e. g.

- 2 points — for every line that joins another line,
- 1 point — if the stocking touches the mantel,
- 1 point — if the star touches the tree,
- 1 point — for every Christmas ball that is on the tree, etc.

The winner is the person with the most points.

## 5. Find the differences



Key:  
In Picture 2:  
Moustache is shorter  
Two belt loops  
A stripe is missing on the glove  
The ribbon is shorter  
The button is missing  
Two holly leaves on toy sack  
A bag bell is missing  
A wider stripe on the toy ball

### Break

#### Snowball Dance

*How to play:*

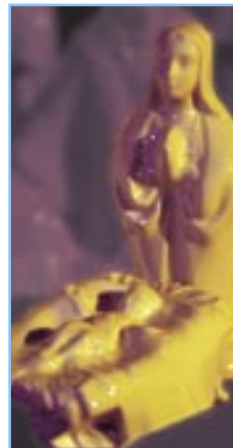
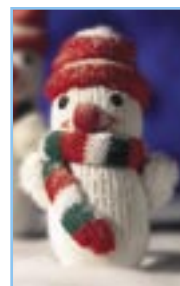
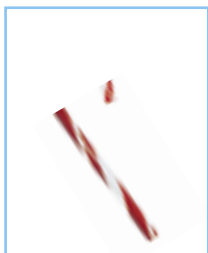
All the girls stand on one side, the boys on the other side. A girl and a boy are chosen to dance for a minute (or two), a signal is given and the girl and the boy change partners. This continues until everyone is dancing. The team which is slower at choosing a partner loses.

### 2nd half

#### 6. Christmas Memory game

*How to play:*

Show the items on the screen to the children. Remove one or more items from the next slide. The children are to name the missing items. Then shout "Stop" and blow a whistle. The team with more correct answers wins.



## 7. Christmas Words game

Think and write down the words related to “Christmas” that begin with each letter of the word *Christmas*.

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## 8. Why – game

*How to play:*

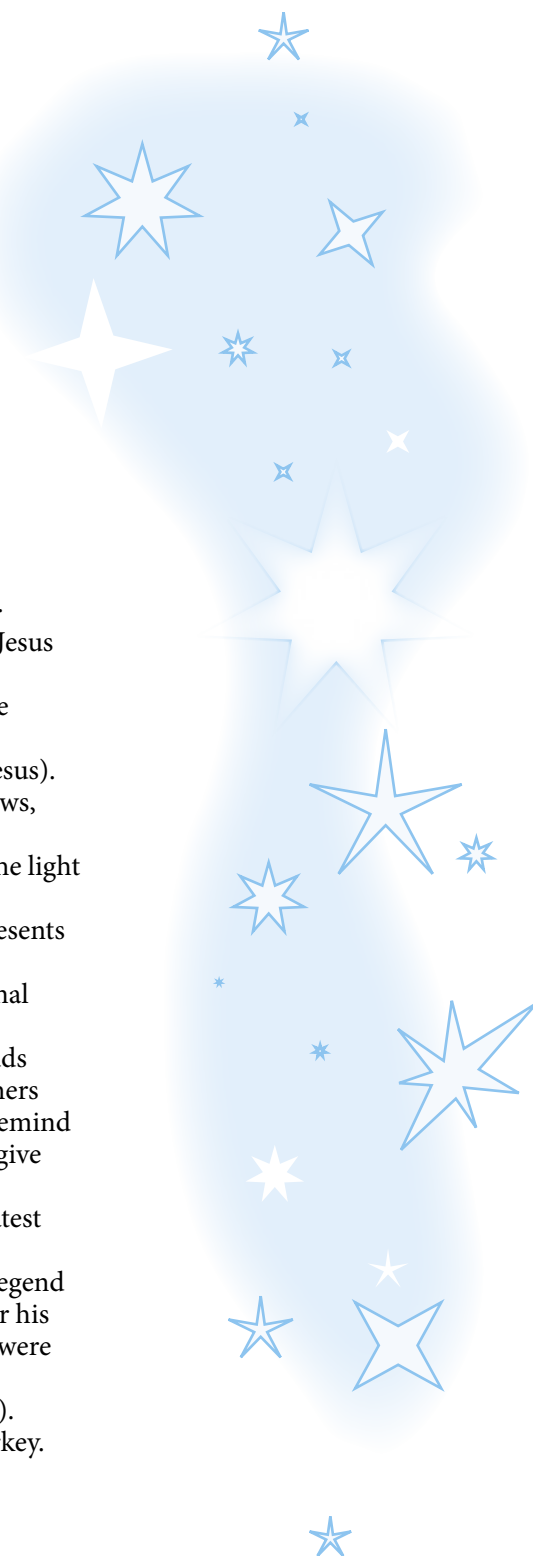
Answer the questions. The team, which gives the right answer, scores.

1. Why is a star the symbol of Christmas? (It tells about the birth of Jesus Christ, the Saviour.)
2. Why is a Christmas tree the symbol of Christmas? (It indicates the everlasting hope of mankind, the Trinity).
3. Why is red the colour of Christmas? (It reminds of the Blood of Jesus).
4. Why is a bell the symbol of Christmas? (It proclaims the Good news, our Shepard will never leave us).
5. Why is a candle the symbol of Christmas? (It shows that Jesus is the light to the world).
6. Why is a Christmas candy cane the symbol of Christmas? (It represents the Shepherd's crook. Jesus is our Shepherd who died for us).
7. Why is a wreath the symbol of Christmas? (It symbolizes the eternal love).
8. Why are tinsels and ribbons the symbols of Christmas? (Tinsel adds brightness to Christmas just as the many kindnesses we do for others bring brightness into their lives. The ribbon is tied into a bow to remind us that our lives are intertwined with each other, and the help we give others is constantly returned to us in different ways).
9. Why are gifts the symbols of Christmas? (They represent the greatest gift of all — God's Son and also the gifts of the Magi).
10. Why is the stocking the symbol of Christmas? (It reminds of the legend about St Nicholas who dropped gold into a poor man's window for his three daughters' weddings. The gold fell into the stockings which were hung by the fireplace to dry).
11. Why do we sing carols at Christmas? (They tell about Jesus's birth).
12. Why are Santa and St Nicholas different? (St Nicholas lived in Turkey. He loved God and gave money to the needy).

## 9. Penalty game “12 Days of Christmas”

*How to play:*

Sing a song *The Twelve Days of Christmas*. Each of the twelve days of Christmas corresponds to a month of the year. E.g. First day = January,





second day = February, etc. When you hear the line corresponding to your birthday month, stand up; when it's finished, sit down. You also stand up whenever you hear the name of the gift for that day.

For example, my birthday is in March, so I stood when I hear "On the third day of Christmas my true love sent to me three French hens" and whenever we all sang "...four calling birds (stand up), three French hens (sit down), two turtle doves..."

If any of the team players makes a mistake, the other team gets a point.

*The Twelve Days of Christmas* is an English Christmas carol which enumerates a series of gifts given on each of the twelve days of Christmas. It is a cumulative song, meaning that each verse is built on top of the previous verses. There are twelve verses, each describing a gift given by "my true love" on one of the twelve days of Christmas.



The first verse runs:



The second verse:



The third verse begins to show some metrical variance, as is explained below:



...and so forth, until the last verse:



### Cheering the winners

Giving prizes that can be anything relating football.