



*Merry
Christmas*



*Lena
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Christmas is a traditional holiday, which is celebrated on the 25 of December. This holiday unites American and British people, relatives and friends.





- CHRISTMAS IS A TIME FOR PARTIES, PRESENTS, TRADITIONAL CUSTOMS AND EATING. CHRISTMAS EVE IS THE TIME WHEN THE CHRISTMAS TREE IS USUALLY DECORATED. THE DECORATIONS STAY ON THE TREE FOR TWELVE DAYS (UNTIL JANUARY 5TH, ALSO KNOWN AS TWELFTH NIGHT).



НАЖМИ НА
НАДПИСЬ

- *Children write letters to Santa Claus / Father Christmas and ask him to bring presents;,. Children leave stockings by the fireplace or at the end of their beds so Santa Claus / Father Christmas can fill them with gifts.*



Santa Claus



Santa Claus is an important person on Christmas. Santa climbs down the chimney. He usually put presents in the Christmas stocki



The Christmas Tree that now spreads its lighted and decorated branches every year in so many different countries came originally from Germany. The first definite mention of it dates only from the early seventeenth century, but it is probable that it existed in some form or another well before that time.

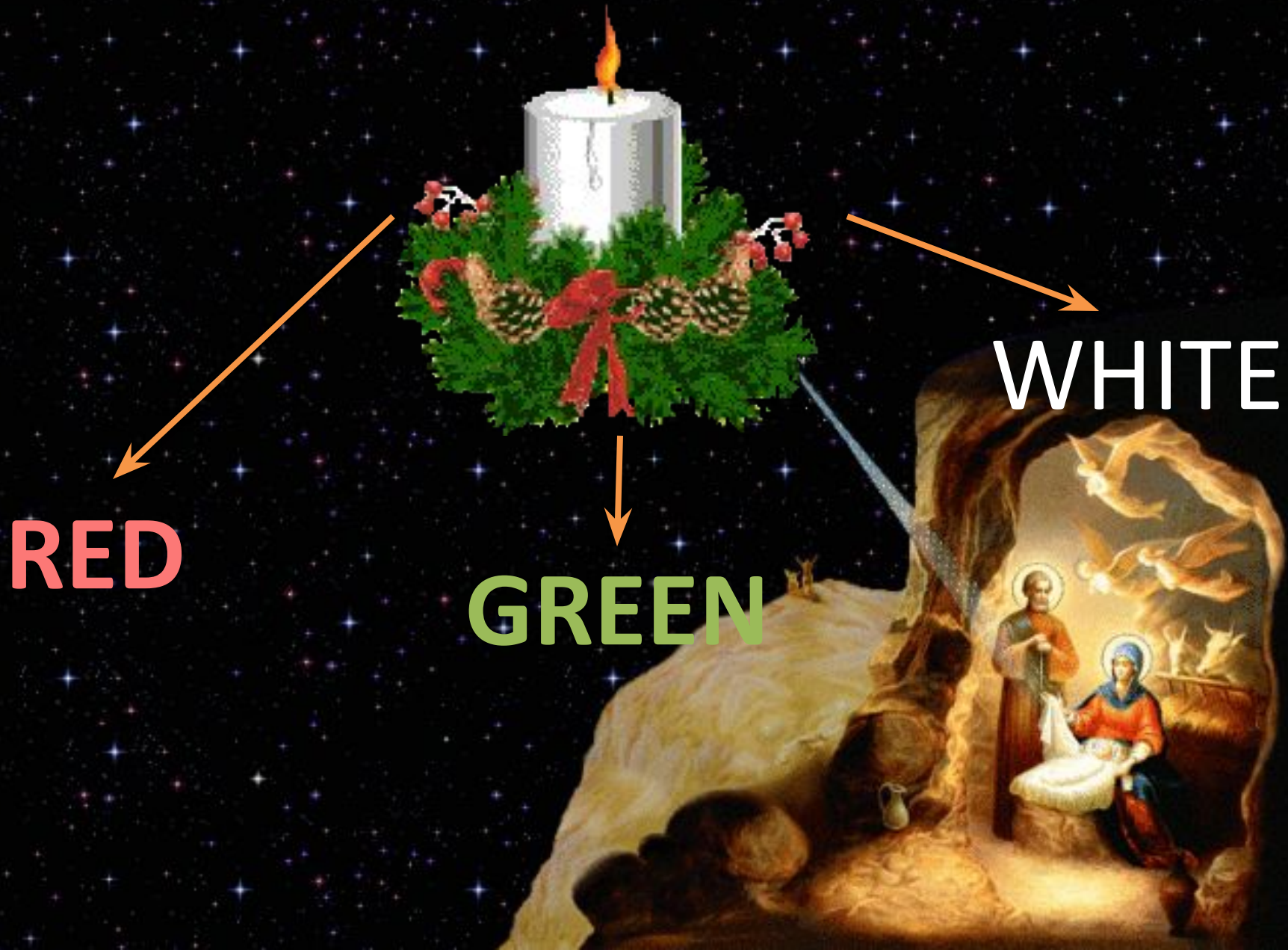


- **CHRISTMAS IS A HOLIDAY, WHEN ALL FAIRY TALES COME ALIVE. IT IS TIME WHEN AUNT HAPPINESS AND UNCLE GOODNESS STROLLING AROUND, WHILE DEDUSHKA MOROZ AND SANTA CLAUS GIVE GIFTS.**





Colours of Christmas



RED

*Means love and reflects our
warmth and love for each
other.*



GREEN

Means hope and the eternal longing for spring and all the promises of the future.



WHITE

Means purity and is represented by the crystalline form of water and the snowflake.

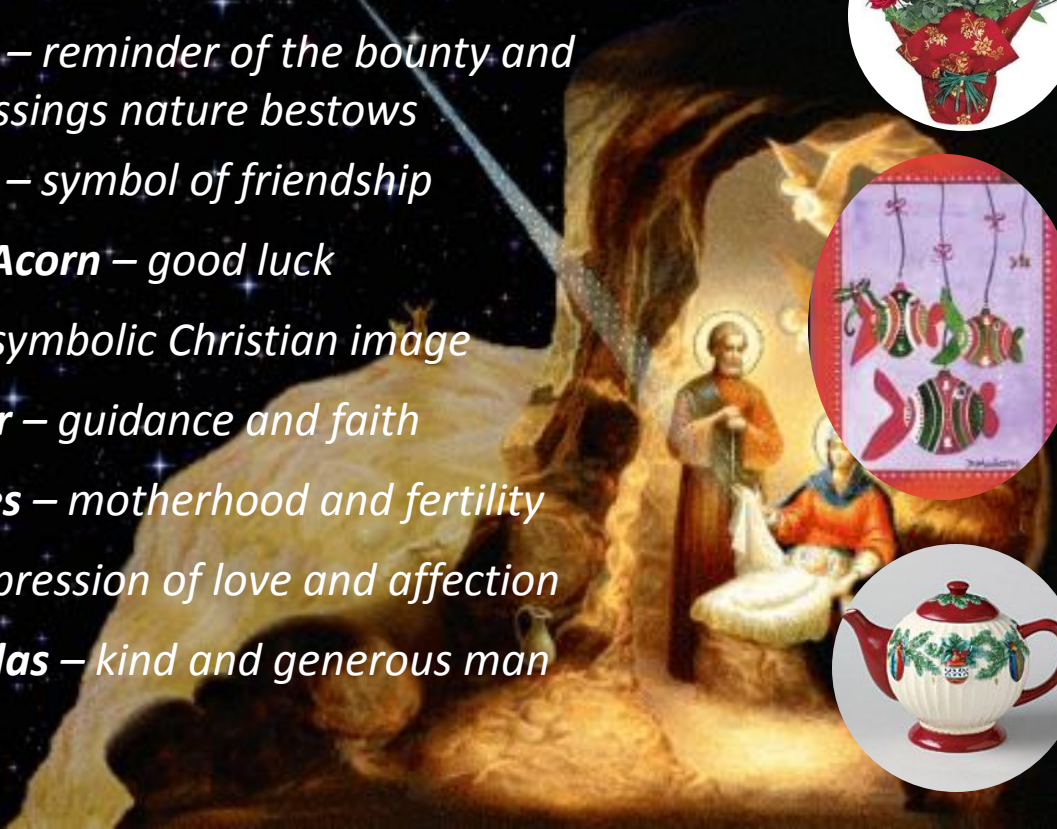


*Christmas is associated with lots of legends
and symbols.*





Coffee Pot – symbol of hospitality
Baskets – symbol of plentiful good wishes
Birds – universal symbol of happiness
Cottages – represent heritage and culture of the glassblowers
Ear of Corn – reminder of the bounty and blessings nature bestows
Grapes – symbol of friendship
Acorn – good luck
Fish – symbolic Christian image
Star – guidance and faith
Pinecones – motherhood and fertility
Rose – expression of love and affection
St. Nicholas – kind and generous man







Christmas in America



Christmas in Egypt



Christmas in Russia



Thanks for attention!

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