

# Holiday Spirit



## Skills:

Can describe people, places and possessions in simple terms.

Adults

Individual

## 1

### Let's discuss presents!

What types of presents do you usually give on holidays/birthdays?

Have you ever given a hand-made present to someone? If yes, what did you make?

## 2

Read the text. What is it about? What is “£5–£15” related to? Find the second halves of these collocations in the text.

to send Christmas...

to bake...

to spend...

to make a photo...

to make their own...

to be not too...

a bottle of...

to give...

a box of...

People in Britain give presents to their family and friends, and sometimes to their work colleagues and boss.

In the UK, people often give presents to their friends and family on Christmas Day (25th December). They also send Christmas cards to their friends and family. The cards usually have a picture of something related to Christmas, for example, a **reindeer** or a **snowman**. Some people make their own presents for their family. For example, they might bake cookies or make a photo album. People often give their close friends a small present - perhaps some chocolates, a **bath bomb set** or a book.

It's not necessary to buy presents for your work colleagues and boss, but people often do it. It's not always easy to know what to buy for your work colleagues, because you might not know them very well. Some people buy small presents for everyone they work with, for example, chocolates or a small bottle of wine. Others only buy presents for their closest work friends. People don't usually spend a lot of money on these presents - £5-£15 is normal.

If you want to buy a present for your boss, you need to be careful. You should choose something that isn't too expensive, but that is also nice. Some people buy a box of chocolates or a bottle of wine, but other people think that this is not a very good idea.

## 3

Describe your perfect present from:

parents

siblings

friends

partner

coworkers

## 4

Read the threads from Reddit and add your recommendations in the comments:

1.2k

Should I give Christmas presents to my coworkers? I'm not sure if I want to give presents or not. On the one hand, it's nice to show my coworkers that I care about them. But on the other hand, it can be stressful and expensive.

CosmicCaffeine 2 hours ago

3.3k

I'm not sure if I should give my boss a Christmas present because I don't want to seem like I'm trying to impress them. But last year, I gave my boss a homemade cookie jar as a present and he loved it.

WaffleQueen 1 hour ago

# Glossary

- **reindeer** - a type of animal that lives in cold and snowy places and is often associated with Christmas.
- **snowman** - a figure made of snow.
- **a bath bomb** - a small ball that people put into a bathtub to make bubbles and create a nice smell.

# Correct answers

**1**

Created in the “Discussion Questions” tool.

**2**

Created in the “Create a text” and “Matching Halves” tools.

to send Christmas **cards**

to bake **cookies**

to spend **a lot of money on presents**

to make a photo **album**

to make **their own presents**

to be not too **expensive**

a bottle of **wine**

to give **presents**

a box of **chocolates**

**3**

The idea is generated in the “Lead-in activities” tool.

**4**

Created in “Four Opinions”.

\*The glossary is created in the “Word-Definition Matching” tool.