IT'S TIME TO BE JOLLY!

Ex. 1. What Christmas traditions can you see in the pictures?

Ex. 2. Match the words to their definitions below.

> Christmas craker   inflatable decorations   stuffing
> mince pie   Boxing Day   stocking   tinsel   ornament
> poinsettia

1. a covered pastry case filled with mincemeat _____
2. a mixture of food, such as bread, onions, and herbs, that is used to fill a chicken or a vegetable _____
3. a large sock that can be filled with presents _____
4. a tropical plant with groups of bright red leaves _____
5. long pieces of thin, shiny material used as decoration _____
6. decoration that is added to increase the beauty of something _____
7. the day after Christmas Day, which is a public holiday _____
8. a tube of brightly coloured paper that makes a noise when pulled apart and contains small presents _____
9. air-filled decorative items, often made of lightweight materials, used for events, holidays, or advertising _____

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Ex. 5 Match the traditions to their countries.

JAPAN   VENEZUELA   ICELAND   AUSTRALIA
AUSTRIA   MEXICO

_____
Las Posadas
Each evening during the festival, a small child dressed as an angel leads a procession through the streets of the town. It commemorates the journey that Joseph and Mary made from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

_____
The Yule Lads
Mischievous trolls visit children during the 13 days before Christmas, leaving gifts or rotten potatoes based on behavior.

_____
Beach BBQs and Surfing Santa
Since it's summer, they celebrate with outdoor barbecues and festive activities at the beach.

_____
KFC tradition
Its citizens still find an interesting and delicious way to celebrate. Rather than gathering around the table for a turkey dinner, families head out to their local Kentucky Fried Chicken.

_____
Roller Skating to Church
Residents roller skate to early morning Christmas Mass.

_____
Krampus
In contrast to Saint Nicholas, Krampus is a frightening creature that punishes misbehaving children, often appearing in parades and events.

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Ex. 7. Complete the sentences with the correct forms of the words in brackets.

1. My grandmother gave me a very _____ gift for Christmas. **THOUGHT**

2. The _____ of the Christmas decorations took hours, but it was worth it. **ARRANGE**

3. The Christmas concert was a _____ event for everyone who attended. **MEMORY**

4. It's important to practice _____ by donating food and clothes to those in need during Christmas. **GENEROUS**

5. Christmas is a time for _____ on the past year and spending time with loved ones. **REFLECT**

6. After receiving so many gifts, she felt an overwhelming sense of _____ **GRATEFUL**

7. The Christmas Eve service was a _____ event that brought everyone together in reflection. **SPIRIT**

8. The holiday season is a time for _____ of the importance of family and giving. **REMIND**