

Christmas Stories And Legends Global Grey

Get ready to travel through time with 21 dazzling stories of daring and deceit, reward and punishment. Meet gods and goddesses, serpents, coyotes, talking fish and clever spiders, and discover different versions of how the world began. This beautifully illustrated book features vibrant myths and epic legends told in countries around the world.

With over 500,000 copies sold, *The Legend of the Candy Cane* is an endearing and timeless Christmas story that doesn't lose sight of the true meaning of the holidays. This edition of the holiday classic by Lori Walberg features vibrant illustrations by New York Times bestselling illustration Richard Cowdrey. One dark November night, a stranger rides into a small prairie town. Who is he? Why has he come? The townspeople wish he were a doctor, a dressmaker, or a trader. Then a young girl named Lucy befriends the newcomer. When he reveals his identity and shares with her the legend of the candy cane, she discovers fulfillment of her wishes and the answer to her town's dream. Now will she share what she has learned? *The Legend of the Candy Cane* is a beautiful picture book for ages 4-8, and focuses on the: Importance of Jesus as it explains the Christian symbolism behind candy canes *Miracle of Christmas and why the occasion is celebrated* With vibrant illustrations and a timeless story, *The Legend of the Candy Cane* is the perfect read for the Advent and Christmas season.

The cheer of a crackling hearth fire. Colorful cards from friends and loved ones. An evergreen tree festooned with ornaments. The golden traditions of Christmas—gifts, wreaths, stockings, carols, mistletoe, and more—infuse our celebration of the season with meaning and glowing memories. And, in ways you may not realize, they point us to the birth of Christ. *Stories Behind the Great Traditions of Christmas* reveals the people, places, and events that shaped the best-loved customs of this merriest of holidays. Here are spiritual insights, true-life tales, and captivating legends to intrigue you and your family and bring new luster and depth to your celebration of Jesus' birth. Discover how, after eighteen centuries of all but ignoring the event, churches began to open the door for believers to commemorate Jesus' incarnation. • the evergreen tree, once a central theme in the worship practices of pagan cultures, came to represent the everlasting love of God. • the magi's three gifts—gold, frankincense, and myrrh—are filled with spiritual symbolism. The traditions of Christmas lend beauty, awe, and hope to the holiday, causing people all over the world to anticipate it with joy. The stories in this book will warm your heart as you rediscover the true and eternal significance of Christmas.

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A Definitive Collection of Stories, Traditions, and Folklore from Merck Family's Old World Christmas

Glorious Sunset

Stories, Recipes, Activities, Legends, Lore & More!

The Legend of Old Befana

The Lion Storyteller Christmas Book

A retelling of the legend in which Saint Nicholas generously supplies the dowries for three girls from a poor family.

This charming treasury of Christmas stories, Christmas poems, Christmas carols, and Christmas legends brings cheer to everyone who opens it. Children of all ages and their families will enjoy the beautifully illustrated Christmas Stories, which is a compilation of dozens of Christmas classics. Brimming with holiday spirit, this timeless treasury of Christmas favorites is a book to be cherished. Families will reach for it to enjoy together year after year. Plus, it's the perfect size to tuck under the tree or place on the mantle.

At last, a truly comprehensive look at Christmas and all of its customs with its long history around the world. The World Encyclopedia of Christmas contains articles on the history of Christmas baking, drinking, and merrymaking, and Christmas dramas, music, literature, art, and films.

It includes entries on the evolution of the Christmas tree and the Christmas card, gift-giving, and decoration of church and home. There are profiles of the many gift-bringers, from Santa Claus to Babouschka, and miraculous tales of the numerous saints associated with the season. And there are histories of seasonal celebrations and folk customs around the world, from the United States to Japan, from Egypt to Iceland. Who, for example, knew the links between the Punch and Judy show and Christmas? That the medieval Paradise tree hung with tempting apples was the forerunner of the Christmas tree? About the Peerie Guizers, who terrorized the Shetland Islands, going door-to-door for Christmas charity? Or what Freudians make of our interest in Christmas stockings and Santa's entrance through the chimney? There are detailed accounts of Wren Boys and Star Boys, mumming and wassailing, the Feast of Fools and the origins of eggnog. And of course stories of the Nativity and legends of the Magi. With beautifully illustrated accounts ranging from the pagan roots of Yuletide, through the birth of Christ, and the long and fascinating history of the festival ever since, The World Encyclopedia of Christmas, is a rich and continually surprising array of religious and secular history, trivia, literature, and art. This wonderful book deserves to find a home with every family that celebrates Christmas.

I spent one winter researching the holiday history, folklore, legend, and more of each and every state," says Carole marsh. A great coffee-table book or classroom read, this book-in an edition for each U.S. state-shares a wealth of fascinating historical material and trivia about everything from holiday traditions to how we got the Christmas tree, superstitions, and more. From the Yule logs of Maine to snow on the Alamo, you'll love your own state book, but wish you could read them all. Don't forget to send your favorite teacher or grandchild a copy for their state

The Myths That Stole Christmas

A Christmas Cornucopia

Stories, Recipes, Activities, Legends, Lore and More!

What Does It Mean to Be Global?

The Golden Book of Christmas Tales

Legend of the Candy Cane

In The Myths that Stole Christmas, Johnson argues that Christmas has been hijacked by seven different myths-seven myths that control how people conceive of and celebrate the holiday. Myth #1: Jesus Is the Reason for the Season Myth #2: Our Christmas Traditions Are Old-Fashioned Myth #4: Christmas Spending Is Good for the Economy Myth #5: Santa Claus Is Saint Nicholas Myth #6: The Santa Claus Lie Is Harmless Myth #7: Christmas Can't Change Historically, holiday cele

functions; they smoothed tension between social classes; they helped us prepare for the long hard winter; they turned the literal darkest days into the "hap-happiest season of all." Modern Christmas celebrations, however, serve as a source of stress, fat, poor and stupid. Christmas owns us; we do what it wants, when it wants. But, Johnson argues, taking a close look at the history of the holiday, and the social, political and economic issues that surround it, can turn the table. Christmas is not a Christians-only holiday that can only be properly celebrated a certain way. Christmas belongs to us all and we can each simply make it what we need it to be.

The unpredictable origins and etymologies of our cracking Christmas customs For something that happens every year of our lives, we really don't know much about Christmas. We don't know that the date we celebrate was chosen by a man speaking, means "Go away, Christ!". Nor do we know that Christmas was first celebrated in 243 AD on March 28th - and only moved to 25th December in 354 AD. We're oblivious to the fact that the advent calendar was actually invented by a woman pestering her for a Christmas countdown. And we would never have guessed that the invention of crackers was merely a way of popularising sweet wrappers. Luckily, like a gift from Santa himself, Mark Forsyth is here to unwrap this fun and festive history of Christmas oddities, making it all finally make sense - in his wonderfully entertaining wordy way.

A Mom's Choice Gold Award Winner! Being global means... Experiencing other traditions Celebrating diversity in people Opening your mind to new possibilities Join children from around the world as they play, sing, and travel, trying all types of traditions. Living respectfully and peacefully with one another, they celebrate diversity, see how their actions affect another person's experience, and come to understand that being global means being a citizen of the world. More Awards & Honors: USA Book News Best Books Award for Children's Picture Book: Nonfiction • The Next Generation Indie Book Award for Multicultural Nonfiction • Learning Solutions Magazine Teachers' Choice Award for Children's Books • IBPA Benjamin Franklin Award for Children's Book Design in Children's/Young Adult • The Nautilus Silver Award for Children's Illustrated

Holiday Magic! Felice has fallen off the Christmas tree! It will take the help of all the ornaments, and Santa, to get her back on top. Christmas lessons come in different ways. For Felice the Christmas Fairy, it's about friendship and compromise. That Christmas is not all about receiving gifts, but about giving back - and helping mom, and Santa. A brand new holiday classic!

Georgia Classic Christmas Trivia

Stories Behind the Great Traditions of Christmas

The Legend of the Christmas Witch

The Penguin Book of Christmas Stories

A Pop-Up Book

Joy to the World!

African King Taka Olufemi has traveled more than four hundred years to find the woman who holds the soul of his murdered queen, and he's a little cranky. With a ruby brooch as his vessel, the former king is forced to grant wishes to ungrateful mortals, hoping to one day find, and win, the heart of his lost love. It will take more than good looks, superior intelligence, and an impressive pedigree to earn the love of Violet Jackson. The ambitious interior designer doesn't remember Taka or their history. Love—with its inevitable heartbreak chaser—has no place in Violet's immediate life plan. All the handsome "genie" can do for her is pony up on the three wishes he's promised, and try not to be a pain while he's at it. While the arrogant king is praying for his submissive queen, and the faithless object of his affection isn't praying at all, guardian angel Aniweto is praying for them both. With Ani's help, will Taka and Violet's epic love be rekindled and this royal couple-behaving-badly finally earn their happily-ever-after through the grace of the Almighty?

Christmas classics short stories are a collection of renowned Christmas tales which are admired throughout the world. Start reading to unlock the Christmas magic.

In this most unusual Christmas Season of 2020, a time when the world has been ravaged by the Corona Virus and people have been, at best, furloughed, or at worst, lost their jobs, here are 15 FREE Christmas stories from the 19th & 20Th C. which will hopefully be a pick-me-up at the end of this most difficult year. In this FREE eBook are 15 Christmas stories from greats like Dickens and Louisa May Alcott (Little Women) as well as stories translated into French, Spanish and other European Christmas tales. The ebook is also littered with Christmas images by the late, great Arthur Rackham whose attention to detail as an illustrator continues to astound the world, even today.

The Stories in this bumper Christmas annual are: Christmas At The Big House The First Christmas Tree The Man In The Moon The Poor Relation's Story [1852] A Fortune In An Empty Wallet The Child's Story [1852] The Christmas Cuckoo The Schoolboy's Story [1853] A Christmas In The Forest Nobody's Story The Princess And The Ragamuffin A Christmas Turkey, And How It Came. Solange, The Wolf-Girl A Christmas Dream, And How It Came

True A Bird In The Snow As this is a FREE ebook please do give it away to friends and family who have children, or are expecting children. Also give it to teachers, those who like reading and those who like children's stories. For more free folklore, fairytale and children's stories from times past, please visit <https://www.facebook.com/FolkloreAndFairyTales> and page back, right to the beginning as there are literally hundreds to choose from.

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Santa's World, Introducing Santa's Elf Series What if I told you Santa Claus needed a great deal of help all year? Almost every person has heard the stories and legends about his famous Christmas Eve journeys. But few know about his helpers and what they do all year long. Santa has a great many elves who make the things he accomplishes possible. Santa, with the help of the North Pole, developed a series to teach young and old alike about some of his best elves. This series explains what they do at the North Pole through rhyme and beautiful illustrations. Beginning with this book, Santa's World, he talks about how it would be impossible to do his job without help.

More importantly, Santa's World explains the genuine reason why Santa brings gifts. It is because he wants to demonstrate God's love, and remind them of the greatest gift of all time. That is, and always has been, the real reason of Christmas. The author also added a special message from Santa Claus about showing respect by saying please, thank you, and excuse me when interrupting or bumping into someone. Something all children should learn and practice everyday. About Santa's Elf Series© by the author, Joe Moore: Even as I was writing the first novel in the Santa Claus Trilogy, I envisioned an entire world at the top of the globe. I knew the most die-hard believer in Santa Claus would realize that this magical gift-giver would need assistance in achieving his task at Christmas. So I began to think about who these helpers were, and what their responsibilities to Santa might be.

Then I started writing. And to my surprise, as I wrote, the stories came out of me in rhyme! The cadence and beat of the verses were lyrical. As I spoke to others, including a good many teachers and librarians, they told me this was the easiest way for children to learn and that I should keep the verses coming. I also heard from parents about their frustrations trying to instruct their children in the primary lessons of life: such as picking up after themselves, being polite, sharing, brushing their teeth, and so on. So I put a special message from Santa Claus at the end of each story about each of these lessons. Even complex problems like bullying, showing gratitude, and listening to elders gets addressed in these books. It never hurts to learn these lessons throughout the year. I wrote nearly 20 books in this series, each focusing on a particular elf and their role to Santa. My wife and illustrator, Mary, is doing her best to get these magical tales drawn and into your child's hands. Since she works so hard fully illustrating every page and includes elements like shapes, colors, and even geography, it takes her a little while to complete each book. We have a half dozen released and more "in the works." I have already heard about new traditions started during Christmas with my Santa Claus Trilogy and families. I am hoping that these will also become part of your celebrations. Make Santa's Elf Series© a new tradition for your family and collect the entire series. The following is a list of the currently published books in the series: Santa's World, Introducing Santa's Elf Series Jamie Hardrock, Chief Mining Elf Shelley Wrapitup, Master Design Elf Keeney Eagleye, Naughty/Nice List Manager Sarah Buttons, Master Dollmaker Ford MacHarley, Master Wheelsmith Learning can be fun! As this book proves, while reading the rhyming verses, they can learn about Santa Claus and his wonderful elves while looking at the beautiful illustrations. They also learn the real meaning of Christmas and how to stay on Santa's nice list.

Hawaii Classic Christmas Trivia

Joy to the World

A Cajun Christmas Story

Texas Classic Christmas Trivia

Felice the Christmas Fairy

The Lion Book of Two-Minute Christmas Stories

The Golden Book of Christmas TalesLegends from Many Lands

From Parks and Recreation star Aubrey Plaza and creative partner Dan Murphy comes the long lost tale of the Christmas Witch, Santa Claus's much misunderstood twin sister. The perfect gift for the holiday season and beyond! Gather 'round the fire to hear a Christmas legend that has never been told before...until now. Each year a mysterious figure sweeps into town, leaving behind strange gifts in the night. No, not Santa Claus, but his sister... The Christmas Witch. Her story begins many, many years ago when her brother was torn away from her as a child. Raised alone by a witch of the woods, Kristtörn's powers of magic grew, as did her temper. Determined to find her long lost twin, she set out on a perilous journey across oceans to find him. But what she found instead was a deep-seated fear of her powers and a confrontation that would leave the fate of Christmas hanging in the balance. From award-winning producer and actress Aubrey Plaza and her creative partner Dan Murphy comes a holiday story unlike any told before. With all the richness of classic folklore, they've woven a tale of bravery, love and magic. Whatever you thought you knew about Christmas...think again.

All over the world, there is a wealth of fascinating traditions and legends surrounding the Christmas story. This title presents five festive folk tales, originating from places as far-flung as Mexico and the Middle East, Northern Europe and North Africa.

Offers a series of tales that retell the Biblical account of the birth of Jesus, the origins of Christmas traditions and other legends of the holiday season, in a completely reillustrated edition of an acclaimed collection of Christmas stories by a celebrated storyteller and author. Reprint.

The Inspirational Story of Our Favorite Christmas Candy

Stories, Recipes, Trivia, Legends, Lore & More

New York Classic Christmas Trivia

A Collection of Stories, Traditions, and Folklore from Old World Christmas

A Visit from St. Nicholas

The Legend of Papa Noel

A poem about the visit that Santa Claus pays to the children of the world during the night before every Christmas.

This gorgeously illustrated Christmas collection of bestselling books in the Legends series from Zonderkidz explores the true stories behind many holiday traditions, including candy canes, Saint Nicolas, and Christmas cookies. Throughout, kids will learn why it's important to share the story of Jesus's birth and give to others during the holiday season. Inside, you and your children can discover: Why the shape and colors of a candy cane tell the story of Jesus's life Who the real St. Nicolas was, and why his actions helped inspire the exchange of Christmas presents and giving to the poor during the holidays Why we bake cookies at Christmas, and what each special shape tells us about the nativity Inside this value-priced collection are the three Legends books, *The Legend of the Candy Cane*, *The Legend of St. Nicholas*, and *The Legend of the Christmas Cookie*. The Legends of Christmas Treasury is: Perfect as a gift for boys and girls ages 4-8, grandchildren, and nieces and nephews Ideal as a family reading tradition for Advent, Christmas, or anytime in the holiday season Great as a gift for people who love the history behind Christmas and holiday traditions If you enjoy *The Legends of Christmas Treasury*, check out other books in the Legends series: *The Legend of the Christmas Tree*, *The Legend of*

the Christmas Stocking, The Legend of the Easter Egg, The Legend of the Easter Robin, and The Legend of the Sand Dollar.

The perfect gift this Christmas season: a generous selection of some of the greatest festive stories of all time This is a collection of the most magical, moving, chilling and surprising Christmas stories from around the world, taking us from frozen Nordic woods to glittering Paris, a New York speakeasy to an English country house, bustling Lagos to midnight mass in Rio, and even outer space. Here are classic tales from writers including Truman Capote, Shirley Jackson, Dylan Thomas, Saki and Chekhov, as well as little-known treasures such as Italo Calvino's wry sideways look at Christmas consumerism, Wolfdietrich Schnurre's story of festive ingenuity in Berlin, Selma Lagerlof's enchanted forest in Sweden, and Irène Nemerovsky's dark family portrait. Featuring santas, ghosts, trolls, unexpected guests, curmudgeons and miracles, here is Christmas as imagined by some of the greatest short story writers of all time. Christmas Stories and Legends is a collection of tales to restore "the real spirit of Christmas" to the jaded world of . . . 1913. Even then, editor Phebe A. Curtiss worried children, especially, might get lost in the day's creeping commercialism. She aimed the book at schools and Sunday schools, and assembled twenty bits of Christmas lore to teach a proper observance. She includes, of course, the Nativity story, but other parts of yesterday's Christmas will be much less familiar to modern readers. The song, "White Christmas," hadn't been written yet, and the expression meant something more than snow. People gave white gifts to symbolize purity. Children might have had visions of sugarplums, but the book includes the unsweetened versions of two weepers from Hans Christian Andersen: "The Little Match Girl" and "The Fir Tree." (The tree learns too late to appreciate Christmas -- on the bonfire afterward.) And little Tom has to learn he is lucky to receive new skates for Christmas, even if they're the wrong brand. The book brings back great-grandfather's Christmas as a gift for today's worriers. Christmas always came with problems. But it always came, anyway.

Christmas Stories

Christmas Around the World

Rhode Island Classic Christmas Trivia

Legends from Many Lands

The World Encyclopedia of Christmas

From Hans Christian Andersen to Angela Carter

Because Befana's household chores kept her from finding the Baby King, she searches to this day, leaving gifts for children on the Feast of the Three Kings.

Ethiopian fringed umbrellas; star-shaped Filipino parol lanterns;candlelit Swedish St. Lucia crowns-Mary Lankford bringstogether Christmas traditions from twelve different lands,like decorations on a splendid tree.

Old World Christmas proudly presents CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT LEGENDS. This hard-bound, full-color book features eighty pages of stories, traditions, & folklore from the Old World. The charming origin of an enchanting variety of treasured mouth-blown glass ornaments is portrayed in this insightful publication. Readers will enjoy learning about the legends behind the ornaments. The book is beautifully decorated with dazzling ornaments & wonderful color plates of traditional Christmas renderings. A special introduction about how & where mouth-blown glass ornaments were first made is included. Also featured is the fascinating story of how the authors, Tim & Beth Merck, traveled to the Old World & gathered these legends to bring home to American families everywhere. Destined to compliment existing Christmas traditions, this superbly illustrated book is currently available by ordering from Old World Christmas directly at 1-800-962-7669 or by mail at P.O. Box 8000, Spokane, WA 99203. The book wholesales for \$7.75 & is sold in minimum quantities of 6 for \$46.50. Acceptable methods of payment include Visa, MasterCard, personal check, money order, or cashiers check. Customers may also apply for open credit.

This collection of ten Christmas stories, retold with warmth and wisdom, includes a retelling of the Nativity story from the Gospels as well as tales and legends associated with Christmas traditions from around the world. Together these stories reflect the message of peace and goodwill at Christmas. Each story is retold in a short but continuous narrative, with quick and quirky illustrations adding to the momentum. The playful element is enhanced by text that 'interacts' with the pictures by means of join-in words so that they are fun to share with children. The large text and carefully managed readability mean that such a book is also great fun for young children who are learning to read. Part of Lion's Two-Minute series which also includes Bible Stories, Parables, Bedtime Stories and Animal Stories.

Christmas Stories and Legends

The Real Story of the Christmas Legend

Saint Nicholas

Christmas Around the World : Stories, Customs, and Children's Letters

Santa's World, Introducing Santa's Elf Series

The 2020 CHRISTMAS ANNUAL for Children and Young People - 15 FREE Christmas Stories

Around the world Santa Claus has many names. But in a deep, swampy bayou of Louisiana, he's known as Papa Noël. In such a hot and humid place, there can be no sleds or reindeer, so Papa Noël rides the river in a boat that's pulled by eight alligators, with a snowy white one named Nicollette in the lead. On this particular Christmas Eve, it's so foggy on the river that even Nicollette's magical glowing-green eyes may not be enough to guide Papa Noël. The alligators are tired, grumpy and bruised from banging into cypress trees, and Papa is desperate to get all the gifts to the little children. Well, "quicker than a snake shimmies down the river," the clever Cajun people come up with a solution that saves the day. A colorfully inventive Christmas tale, Papa Noël is a lesson in fast thinking, as well as a witty introduction to a part of America that's rich in folklore and legend.

For use in schools and libraries only. Presents five folktales related to Christmas, including "The Brave Little Camel" (Syria), "Baby in the Bread" (Malta), "The Gourd of Plenty" (Ghana), "Flowers for Jesus" (Mexico), and "Babushka" (Russia).

Master pop-up artist Chuck Fischer's most glorious creation yet -- CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD is the perfect holiday gift. Featuring France, Germany, Russia, Latin America, Scandinavia, Great Britain, Italy, and the United States, every spread is packed with delights: a luxurious central pop-up image, plus removable booklets, pullouts, mini pop-ups, and more. The text illuminates unique Christmas traditions, gift legacies, and portraits of mythic figures, such as England's Father Christmas and Italy's Le Befana. Like Christmas in New York, CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD is destined to become a treasured keepsake and a bestseller for years to come.

Stories About The Christmas Hawthorne, The Holy Family, The Wise Men, Shepherds, The Talking Animals, The Flight Into Egypt, And The Stories Of Saints Christopher, Nicholas And Joseph Of Arimathea.

The Legends of Christmas Treasury

Christmas Stories from Around the Globe

Myths and Legends of the World

An Italian Christmas Story

Washington Classic Christmas Trivia

Classic Tales to Uplift the Heart and Bring Light to a Cherished Winter Holiday