

# SANTAS FROM AROUND THE WORLD



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SANTA CLAUS IS FROM THE USA. SANTA CLAUS CARRIES WITH HIM A BIG SACK FILLED WITH TOYS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS ON THE "NICE" LIST. CHRISTMAS ELVES HELP THIS SANTA MAKE TOYS AND HE RELIES ON HIS REINDEER TO GET AROUND ON CHRISTMAS EVE.





THIS FATHER CHRISTMAS VISITS AUSTRALIA. SINCE AUSTRALIA IS IN THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE, FATHER CHRISTMAS IS USED TO HOT WEATHER. HE BREAKS OUT HIS SHORTS AND A TANK TOP, AND KISSES THE REINDEER GOODBYE, OPTING FOR A SURF BOARD TO DELIVER HIS PRESENTS.





MEET PERE NOEL!  
PERE NOEL, FRENCH FOR  
FATHER CHRISTMAS, LEAVES HIS  
PRESENTS IN THE SHOES  
CHILDREN LEAVE FOR HIM BY THE  
FIREPLACE. HE ALSO DECORATES  
THE FAMILIES CHRISTMAS TREE  
WITH SWEETS, NUTS AND OTHER  
SMALL TOYS AND GIFTS.





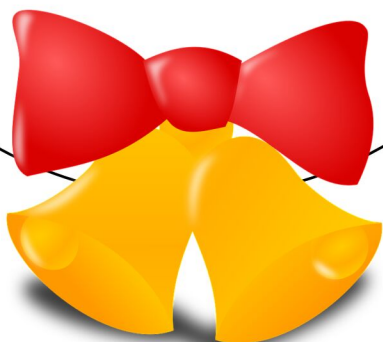


THREE WISE MEN, MEXICO.  
THE THREE WISE MEN, FROM THE  
BIBLICAL STORY OF CHRISTMAS, VISIT  
GOOD BOYS AND GIRLS ON JANUARY 6TH,  
LEAVING BEHIND SPECIAL GIFTS. ON  
DECEMBER 25TH CHILDREN BREAK A  
SPECIAL CHRISTMAS PINATA FILLED  
WITH CANDY AND TREATS.





CHRISTKIND, AUSTRIA.  
CHRISTKIND. LITERALLY CHILD OF  
CHRIST, HELPS AUSTRIAN CHILDREN  
CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS BY VISITING  
THEIR HOMES ON DECEMBER 24TH.  
CHRISTKIND LEAVES BEHIND A  
DECORATED TREE AND PRESENTS,  
TINKING A BELL AS SHE LEAVES TO  
LET THE FAMILY KNOW HER WORK  
IS DONE.





YULE LADS ARE FROM ICELAND.  
THE YULE LADS, FROM ICELANDIC FOLKLORE,  
TAKE ON THE ROLE OF SANTA CLAUS IN ICELAND.  
THE 13 MENEACH VISIT THE 13 DAYS BEFORE  
CHRISTMAS EVE. DURING THEIR VISITS THEY LEAVE  
BEHIND A GIFT OR A ROTTEN POTATO IN THE SHOES  
OF EVERY CHILD, DEPENDING ON THE RECEIVER'S  
BEHAVIOR THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.





HOTEIOSHO IS FROM JAPAN.  
HOTEIOSHO IS ACTUALLY A BOODHIST  
MONK WHO ACTS LIKE SANTA CLAUS. HE  
CARRIES A LARGE SACK AND BRINGS  
PRESENTS TO EVERY HOUSE. SOME JAPANESE  
CHILDREN THINK HE HAS EYES IN THE BACK  
OF HID HEAD SO AS DECEMBER  
APPROACHES THEY PUT ON THEIR BEST  
BEHAVIOR.







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