

Everybody's waiting



This is a special time of the year. At different times of the year, Christians remember different events linked to the life of Jesus.

The four-week period leading up to his birth at Christmas has its own name: Advent. Advent is meant to be a time of waiting for the coming of Jesus, and of preparation for the celebration of his birth. During December many of you, and many of your parents, have lots to do to get ready for Christmas. What jobs do you think should appear on your list of jobs to do?

Christians believe that they have been given so much that they love to, and have a responsibility to, share with others. Think about how you could bless others with your time, friendship or gifts.

The calendar on the next page helps us to remember to do something for others each day as we wait for Christmas.

Dear God,

We thank you for this time of Advent, a special time of waiting and preparing.

Help us, while we go about our preparations, to find time to think of the gift of Jesus that you gave to us at that first Christmastime.

Amen.

CHRISTMAS KINDNESS

advent calendar

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Make a **Christmas card** for a neighbour

1

Donate an **old toy** to a charity

2

Take **treats** in for your class

3

Make your teacher a **Christmas gift**

4

Pick up **litter**

5

Help your parents **clean** the house

6

Make your own **bed**

7

Smile at everyone you see today

8

Tell your family you **love them**

9

Write a **Christmas letter** to a distant relative

10

Make someone **laugh**

11

Donate to your local **food bank**

12

Feed the **birds**

13

Invite the shy child at school to **play in your game**

14

Call your grandparents to say you **love them**

15

Tell your friend why they're so **ace**

16

Plant a **tree**

17

Help **wash** the car

18

Every night before bed think of 3 things to be **grateful** for

19

Help keep your room **tidy**

20

Give your sibling a **hug**

21

Say **thank you** for the food you eat today

22

Acknowledge something **you did** brilliantly today

23

Show off your best **manners**

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MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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