

ET4B's Top Ten Christmas Jokes

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Our very best wishes at this happy multi-denominational festive event, approximating to the winter solstice. In addition (and particularly for those amongst us who favour the Gregorian calendar but with due deference to followers of other calendars, not least those of the Julian or Xia persuasion), let us also celebrate the expected passing of another annual solar cycle on or around 1 January, and the onset of year to be popularly known as 2011 AD (Anno DominosPizza of course).

Alternatively, Dave and Brian wish you and your family a Merry Christmas (or Winterval as it's now allegedly called in Birmingham) and a Happy New Year!

To provoke some gentle entertainment (not to mention quite a few groans) from you and perhaps your colleagues, we have attached below ET4B's Top Ten Christmas Jokes.

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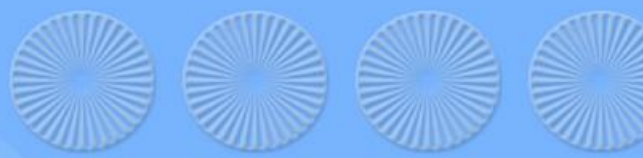
1 Q: An honest politician, a kindly tax inspector, and Santa Claus were walking down the street and saw a £50 note lying on the floor. Which one picked it up?
A: Santa of course; the other two don't exist!

2 Q: What do you call a maverick lawyer who doesn't believe in Santa?
A: A rebel without a Claus(e)!

3 It was December and a 6 year old child at a tough inner city school asked his mother if he could have a new X Box 360 for Christmas? His mum told him he should write to Father Christmas to politely and persuasively ask for it, but having just been inspired by the school nativity play, he said he would prefer to write to baby Jesus instead. Later he passed a house with a statue of the Virgin Mary in the garden, which he secretly put under his coat. When he got home, he wrote the letter: "Dear Jesus, if you would like to see your mother again, I think you'd better send me an X Box 360. All the best, Jimmy"

4 A long time ago, in Communist Russia, there was a famous weather man named Rudolf. On Christmas Eve he predicted the most terrible storm but nobody believed him. In the end he went home and even persuaded his wife to join him as they slept under the table, just in case the roof collapsed under the weight of the storm. Next day they awoke and sure enough a storm had caused widespread devastation in the village. 'But how did you know about this when no-one else believed it' said his wife? 'Ah that was easy' he said, 'because Rudolf the Red knows rain dear.'

5 Two parents were discussing their twin boys who, apart from looking very similar, had little in common. They agreed that one was a natural born pessimist and the other an eternal optimist. To test the theory they decided to give the boys two very different presents at Christmas; one was given several expensive state of the art toys and gizmos, whereas the other boy's stocking was simply filled with manure. When they awoke and went into the first boy's room he was absolutely distraught, so they asked him why? "I'll have to spend hours reading all these instructions, by which time the batteries will be flat, and all my friends will be fighting over these expensive presents and games" he responded. Going on to the second boy's room they saw their son beaming with delight. "What have you got to be so happy about" they said, to which the optimistic son replied "I'm sure there's a pony in here somewhere".



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6 Two men are having a discussion at the office party. The younger man says "my wife is an angel", to which the older one replies "you're lucky, mine's still alive."

7 The day after Boxing Day and with the snow still piling up all around, good King Wenceslas decided he had enough gathering up wine and pine logs. He decided to stay at home and ring up to order a pizza. "How do want it" the pizza shop said, "I'd like it deep pan, crisp and even" said the good King.

8 A man bought his wife a beautiful diamond ring for Christmas. After marvelling at this extravagant gift, a mate of his said, "I thought she wanted one of those sporty 4X4 SUVs". "She did", he responded, "but where was I going to find a fake Land Rover SRX?"

9 On a similar note, a couple of days before Christmas a husband was whistling the well known Bond theme tune 'Diamonds are forever'. Thinking this was a hint or some kind of Freudian slip, his wife happily went to sleep, and dreamt that her husband gave her a stunning diamond necklace for Christmas. The following morning she told her husband about her dream, and asked him if he knew what it meant? "You'll find out tomorrow" smiled the husband reassuringly. That evening he arrived home with a beautifully wrapped small package, and placed it carefully under the tree. The following morning she opened her present, only to find a pocket book sized copy of 'The Interpretation of Dreams'.

10 A question for the panto season; what did Snow White say when the chemist lost her photographs? Someday my prints will come!

Disclaimer

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