

## Card 1 — Mexico

**Title:** Christmas in Mexico

### **Key Traditions:**

- Celebrations run **Dec 12–Jan 6**.
- Children take part in **Las Posadas**.
- Homes decorated with **poinsettias, lanterns, candles**.
- Families break a **piñata**.
- Midnight Mass and big family meal on Christmas Eve.

## Card 2 — Germany

**Title:** Christmas in Germany

### **Key Traditions:**

- **Christmas markets** throughout December.
- **St Nicholas Day** on Dec 6th.
- Decorations: **advent wreaths, wooden ornaments, gingerbread**.
- Traditional foods like **stollen**.
- Christmas trees sometimes have **real candles**.

## Card 3 — Australia

**Title:** Christmas in Australia

### **Key Traditions:**

- Christmas falls in **summer**.
- **BBQs, beaches, outdoor celebrations**.
- Children make **sandmen**.
- Foods: cold meats, salads, **Pavlova**.

- **Carols by Candlelight** outdoors.

#### **Card 4 — Iceland**

**Title:** Christmas in Iceland

**Key Traditions:**

- **13 Yule Lads** visit children.
- **Jólabókaflóð** – giving books on Christmas Eve.
- Stories, candles, warm festive foods.
- The **Yule Cat** legend.
- Homes decorated with lights for long dark days.

#### **Card 5 — Wales**

**Title:** Christmas in Wales

**Key Traditions:**

- **Plygain carols** and Welsh songs.
- Homes decorated with **holly, candles, lights**.
- School **Nadolig plays**.
- Christmas meal with roast meats and **Welsh cakes**.
- **Christmas Eve carol services**.