

A serene winter landscape with snow-covered hills, trees, and a bright sun in a cloudy sky. The scene is peaceful and evocative of a quiet winter day.

'Twas the Night Before Christmas

Year 7 – Childhood Poetry

Thursday 19th December 2024

The Night Before Christmas

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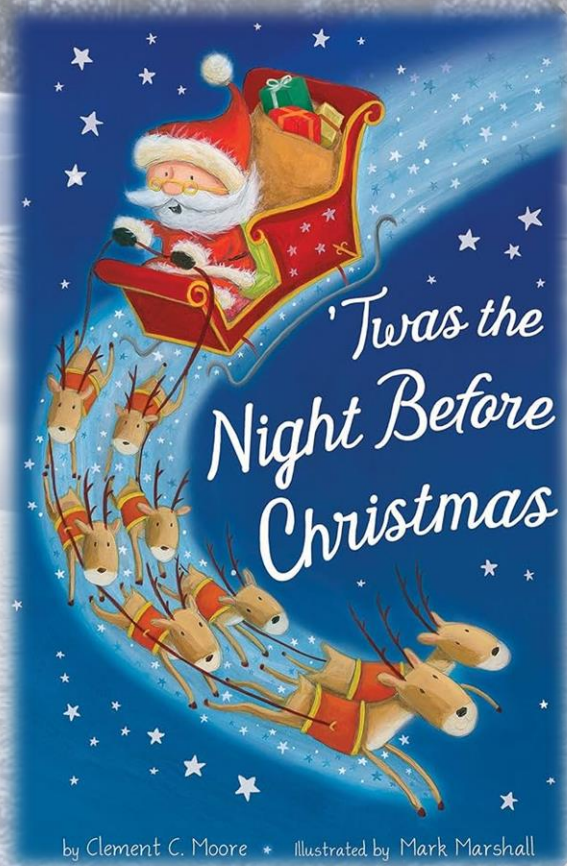
Write down all the traditional pre-Christmas traditions that you know of or you participate in:

- Leaving a carrot out for the reindeer
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Listen...

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g4Y1IpCGHss>



Listen to the story of the 'Night Before Christmas'

Write down all the activities that happen within the poem

How do they compare to your own Christmas Eve traditions? Discuss with the person sitting next to you

Listen...

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CUZpqAALkfc>

This is a more modern version of the Night Before Christmas – is this closer to what you remember of your own childhood Christmases?

Which version do you prefer? Why?



Over To You

Complete the Night Before Christmas poem sheet

Aim to make the poem as personal to your own experiences as possible

Success Criteria:

- ✓ **3 stanzas (minimum)**
- ✓ **A rhyme scheme if possible**
 - ✓ **A simile**
 - ✓ **A metaphor**

Optional Task

- Storyboard the events of the Carol Ann Duffy poem 'Another Night Before Christmas' – use quotations from the poem in the boxes below each image
