

50 Simple *Holiday* Traditions

1. Prepare a special breakfast
2. Relive the year's memories by looking through family scrapbooks
3. *Go see the Christmas lights*
4. Read Christmas stories by the fire or flickering candles
5. Read the Christmas story
6. *Write thank you notes and send them in the mail*
7. Start an ornament collection
8. Invite friends over for a storytelling night
9. *Create a fun new table setting for a holiday meal*
10. Use place cards on the table
11. Spend a day baking with friends and family
12. *Watch holiday movies*
13. Attend holiday concerts and festivals
14. Simplify your holiday home decor; let the kids decorate
15. *Camp out next to the tree*
16. Find a fun way to encourage acts of service your the home
17. Take treats to your neighbors
18. *Host a tea party with friends*
19. Plan a family service project
20. Host a potluck dinner with friends and neighbors
21. *Have a holiday open house*
22. Learn about the holiday celebrations of another country
23. Collect items for the needy
24. *Have an Advent calendar*
25. Make Orange-Clove Pomander Balls
26. Women cook; men clean up
27. *Visit the elderly*
28. Start a prayer wall to pray for people in need
29. Go caroling with friends
30. *Have a Christmas morning devotional*
31. Decorate gingerbread houses
32. Participate in a Turkey Trot
33. *Volunteer at a homeless shelter*
34. Make and decorate your own holiday cards and envelopes
35. Start a family gratitude journal
36. *Cut your own Christmas tree*
37. Go ice skating
38. Make homemade spice potpourri to simmer on the stove
39. *Build a snowman*
40. Donate money to a charity
41. Learn how your ancestors celebrated the holidays
42. *Contribute to a Giving Tree*
42. Teach your kids the Hide the Pickle game
43. Put together a puzzle
44. Have a cookie exchange
45. *Host a White Elephant Gift party*
46. String popcorn while sharing your favorite holiday memories
47. Play Christmas music in the background
48. *Watch 'It's a Wonderful Life'*
49. Put on or attend a live nativity
50. Have everyone share one thing they appreciate about each person at the table