

December 1

Watch for the arrival of Elf on the Shelf with a letter. (Most Scout Elves return to their families during *Scout Elf Return Week*— at the end of November leading into December.

December 2

Write down 3 things, in your opinion, Christmas stands for.

December 3

Help decorating the house and your play/learning space in a spirit of Christmas.

December 4

Open Book #4 from the Books Advent Christmas Tree and read the The Legend of St. Nicholas with the family; then tell 3 things you remembered from reading.

December 5

Melt candy canes and form them to resemble bishop's crozier (or use play dough) and leave out shoes/boots overnight along with some hay and carrots for St. Nicholas' donkey.

December 6

Bake speculoos ~ a type of spiced shortcrust biscuit ~ to eat on St Nicholas' Feast Day.

<p style="text-align: center;">December 7</p> <p>Defrost frozen red, green, and white pom poms with warm water and salt.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">December 8</p> <p>Make green Christmas play dough, and add glitter and ½ teaspoon of peppermint essence. And, once you are done rolling it out and making little Christmas trees using Christmas tree cookie cutters, decorate with loose parts like beads, buttons or sequins.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">December 9</p> <p>Decorate a pine cone with pom poms and glitter and make into an ornament.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">December 10</p> <p>Make Christmas cards by stamping green handprints (fingers pointing down) to resemble a Christmas tree, and decorate with glitter, sequins, and ribbon.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">December 11</p> <p>Prepare a gift for someone in need, even if you do not know them.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">December 12</p> <p>Fill snow globe ornaments with rice and beads to make a Christmas decoration.</p>

<p>December 13</p> <p>Give a hug to your Mommy/Daddy/brother/sister and play a christmas board game together as a family.</p>	<p>December 14</p> <p>Write a card to Santa and put it in a mail box.</p>
<p>December 15</p> <p>Make Christmas Oobleck.</p>	<p>December 16</p> <p>Spend an evening driving or walking around your neighborhood to look at all the sparkling Christmas lights! Pick which decorations you liked best!</p>
<p>December 17</p> <p>Toast marshmallows and make shmores (after dinner).</p>	<p>December 18</p> <p>Make a snow globe.</p>

<p>December 19</p> <p>Learn a Christmas poem.</p>	<p>December 20</p> <p>Bake sliced oranges and string them along with pop corn to make a garland decoration.</p>
<p>December 21</p> <p>Have a matching Christmas Family PJ party while watching a Christmas movie/cartoon.</p>	<p>December 22</p> <p>Roast chestnuts in the oven (with an adult help) and cozy up next to a warm fireplace (if you have one), along with some nice hot chocolate.</p>
<p>December 23</p> <p>Make a Gingerbread house.</p>	<p>December 24</p> <p>Help Mommy make a special Christmas dinner, sing Christmas carols, read the Night Before Christmas book and do not attempt staying up to catch Santa or he might not come!</p>