

Our class collected coats, hats...




# Newspaper Fun!

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...and mittens to donate to a shelter.





December is a month with many holidays. People may celebrate Hanukkah, Christmas or Kwanzaa. New Year's Eve, the very last night of the year, may be celebrated by everyone! This is a good time of year to show good cheer toward other people. It is a time when people reach out to help someone or to greet them with "Happy Holidays!"

## Days Full of Caring and Sharing!

### A. Fight Hunger

1. cook for a \_\_\_\_\_
2. help at a soup \_\_\_\_\_
3. collect cans for the food \_\_\_\_\_
4. donate produce that you buy from your local \_\_\_\_\_ market

### B. Beat the Cold

1. collect \_\_\_\_\_ and sweaters
2. start a \_\_\_\_\_ tree
3. donate \_\_\_\_\_ and quilts
4. donate \_\_\_\_\_ to a fuel fund

### C. Bring Joy to Children

1. \_\_\_\_\_ a toy to put in a "new toy drop box"
2. \_\_\_\_\_ away your used toys to charity
3. \_\_\_\_\_ a child's toy or jewelry to donate
4. \_\_\_\_\_ new toys to bring to a Children's Home

### D. Care for Animals

1. donate to an animal \_\_\_\_\_ center
2. visit the \_\_\_\_\_ after the holidays
3. give pet \_\_\_\_\_ to a shelter
4. donate pet \_\_\_\_\_ and blankets

### E. Help with Good Health

1. start a jogging/biking \_\_\_\_\_
2. donate \_\_\_\_\_ to the Red Cross
3. \_\_\_\_\_ someone to an appointment
4. \_\_\_\_\_ a free exercise or dance class

### A. shelter

1 kitchen  
2 pantry  
3 farmers  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

### B. bedding

1 rescue  
2 shelter  
3 food  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

### C. collect

1 purchase  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

### D. food

1 blankets  
2 money  
3 coats  
4 mitten

### E. blood drive

1 teach club  
2 \_\_\_\_\_  
3 \_\_\_\_\_  
4 \_\_\_\_\_

## A Dozen Ways to Show You Care!

Almost every town has a special collection for gifts to spread good cheer to others who don't have much, live alone or have few relatives with whom to celebrate the season. It doesn't have to cost a lot to give to others. **Read these ideas to see if there is something your family would like to do.** Find and circle the 25 words in bold print in the gift box.

1. Find "new" items around your house that you think you will never use and make **gift sets**.
2. **Package** some sporting **equipment** (ex., bat, ball, glove).
3. **Gather** teas, coffees and cookies on a **tray**.
4. **Put** a few paperbacks in a **box**: Westerns, kids, cookbooks.
5. **Arrange** fancy soaps and a nice small towel in a **basket**.
6. **Place** 2 decks of cards, a notebook and pencils in a **bag**.
7. **Stuff** cocoa and candy canes into a **mug**.
8. **Fill** a **jar** with wrapped candy and nuts.
9. **File** some scrapbooking materials inside an **album**.
10. **Collect** some fun magazines and puzzle books in a **tote bag**.
11. **Insert** a fun picture, **calendar** or poster into a **frame**.
12. **Group** colored pens or pencils, stationery in a **case**.



Oooo... I wonder what's in the box!

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H	N	E	V	N	B	K	R	M	U	A	J	M	F	I	L	E	K
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## The holidays are

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N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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