

Annex F Contextualized Materials

2 COLOMBIAN CHRISTMAS

2.1 Christmas traditions in Colombia

GOALS: Talk about actions in Christmas Use the present simple to talk about your Christmas day

Listening & Grammar

Present simple

1. Look at the photos and scan the code to answer the questions.



1. What elements do you see in these images?
2. Where do the scenes take place?
3. How frequently do you see this in real life?
4. Which month do you think the images take place?

2. a. Listen to Camilia talking about her Christmas in Bogotá. Then arrange the images 1 to 8 according to her dialogue.



b. Listen again and Tick (✓) the activities she mentions.

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| • Decorate the house. | • Make sure. |
| • Clean Up. | • Dance. |
| • Put up lights. | • Across with. |
| • Set up the nativity scene. | • Get together. |
| • Sell gifts. | • Pray. |
| • Have breakfast. | • Go out. |

c. Read the Grammar Simple Focus box and complete the following sentences according to its rule.

GRAMMAR FOCUS Present Simple

- We use the present simple to talk about repeated actions and things that are always true.
- To make the present simple positive, we use: *I/You/We/They* + infinitive without *to* *He/She/It* + infinitive without *to* + (e)S.
- When a verb ends in *-ch, -sh, -ss, -s, -z, -x* we add *-es* to the third person *he/she/it* form.
- The third person *he/she/it* form of *have* is *has*.
- When a verbs ends in *-o* we add *-es* to the third person *he/she/it* form.
- When a verbs ends in *-y* we remove *-y* and add *-ies* to the third person *he/she/it* form.

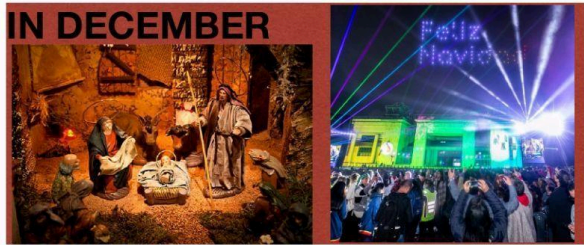
1. Camilia _____ (start) decorating the house at the beginning of December.
2. She _____ (put) up lights and _____ (set up) the nativity scene.
3. Sometimes, her mom _____ (help) her, but most of the time, she _____ (do) it on her own.
4. They always _____ (have) roast pork and buñuelos for dinner.
5. Camilia always _____ (make sure) to place a star on the Christmas tree.
6. Camilia's family often _____ (go) to Midnight Mass.

Christmas traditions in Colombia

A different Christmas in Colombia

READING AND WRITING

4. a. Look and Compare the images then answer the following questions. Scan the QR to answer.



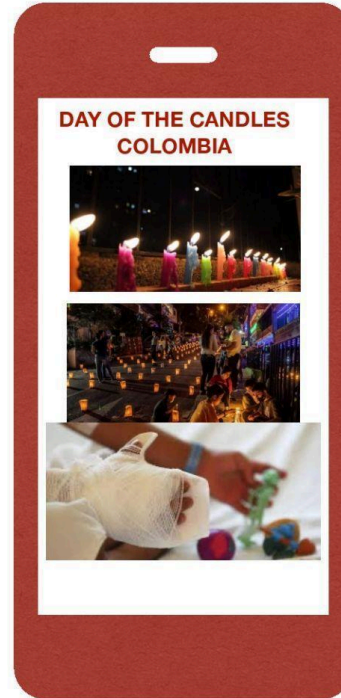
1. Where do the scenes take place?
2. What visual elements help you recognize these differences?
3. How do you think people in each scene feel?
4. What are the main differences between these scenes?

b. Read the text then discuss with your classmates the following question.

Hi! I am Vanessa, and I live in Quinamayó-Cauca, a small town in Colombia. Here, we celebrate Christmas in February, not in December. Every year, we have a big party with music, dance, and fireworks. My favorite part is when we walk with the black Baby Jesus statue. We go from house to house, singing and looking for him. Then, we take the statue and put it in the Nativity scene. Many people wear colorful costumes, and some dress as angels and soldiers. It is a very special time for my family and me. We always enjoy the celebration!

What are some of the similarities or differences between Christmas celebrations in Quinamayó and your home town?

5. a. Hina from Japan sees the following photos on Instagram, look and analyze them.



b. Answer the following questions according to what Hina sees on her phone. The images are in 5.a.

1. What message do those images send about Colombian culture?
2. Do the images show all aspects of the celebration? Explain your opinion.
3. Why do you think candles and lights are central to this celebration?

c. Imagine you invite foreigners to celebrate this candle day, What are good images to send?.

