CHRISTMAS BREAK PACKET

Name: ________________________________
United States

Christmas is a popular holiday in the United States. It is a diverse country, so it is celebrated in many ways. Some cultures celebrate Kwanza. Jewish citizens celebrate Hanukkah. Many regions also have their own special ways of celebrating. It is observed on December 25.

Most homes decorate for Christmas with wreaths and Christmas trees. There are also many other decorations inside homes. Some people also decorate the outside of their houses with Christmas lights. They add decorations such as nativity scenes, reindeer, and snowmen.

Cities celebrate Christmas with holiday flags and decorations. There are often large Christmas trees in the center of town. Most communities have Christmas parades. At their parades there are bands and floats.

Families often gather together and exchange gifts. They usually eat a large Christmas meal. A traditional Christmas meal consists of ham, turkey, dressing, and cranberry sauce.

On Christmas Eve, children often leave out a plate of milk and cookies for Santa. They also leave out a stocking for Santa to fill with treats. Santa usually leaves presents under the Christmas tree.
United States

- Read the entire passage.
- Write any interesting observations or notes in the left margin.
- Write any questions you have about the text in the right margin.
- Answer the questions below. When you answer a question, be sure to write the question number beside the text evidence you used to answer the question.

1. What is the text mostly about? ________________

2. How do some people decorate the outside of their homes?

3. What is often in Christmas parades?

4. What do some children do on Christmas Eve?
United States

1. What nonfiction text feature did the author use, and how did it help you understand the text?

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2. Name a key word you highlighted. Why did you select that word?

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3. What is the main purpose of the 3rd paragraph?

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MATH

Complete the patterns.

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6 + 1 = ________
60 + 10 = ________
600 + 100 = ________
6,000 + 1,000 = ________

8 + 1 = ________
80 + 10 = ________
800 + 100 = ________
8,000 + 1,000 = ________

2 + 3 = ________
20 + 30 = ________
200 + 300 = ________
2,000 + 3,000 = ________
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5 + 4 = ________
50 + 40 = ________
500 + 400 = ________
5,000 + 4,000 = ________

3 + 5 = ________
30 + 50 = ________
300 + 500 = ________
3,000 + 5,000 = ________

4 + 6 = ________
40 + 60 = ________
400 + 600 = ________
4,000 + 6,000 = ________
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ELA

Read the passage several times. Summarize the passage on the lines below.

Edna Elf sat on a rock in the snow. She could barely keep her eyes open. She had been working fourteen hour days for the past two months. As Head of the Soft Toy Department, she was in charge of making sure that teddy bears, stuffed dogs and various other plush toys were created and packed within a certain timeframe.

Edith Elf sat next to Edna. Her eyes were red from lack of sleep. “Are you feeling okay?” she asked. Edna smiled wistfully. “Yes,” she said. “But I am thinking of heading off on a long vacation after this Christmas season.”

“Me, too!” exclaimed Edith. “I have already decided to ride a reindeer to Brazil.”

“That sounds great,” said Edna. “I think I’d like to visit Africa.”

And with those plans in mind, both elves stood up and trudged back to the workshop.
Solve the word problems.

1. Mrs. Claus baked 234 sugar cookies. If Santa ate 134 cookies for breakfast, how many cookies are left?

2. If the Elves wrapped 54 toy trucks, 32 wagons, and 18 dolls, how many toys did they wrap in all?

3. The reindeer played 149 games last week. Rudolph won 78 of the games, how many games did the other Reindeer win?

4. Rudolph traveled 249 miles on Monday and 187 miles on Tuesday. How many miles did he travel altogether?

5. Mrs. Claus baked 38 sugar cookies, 42 star cookies and 51 butter cookies. How many cookies did she bake altogether?

6. Write your own Problem and Solve.
Twinkling Multiple Lights

Finish the multiples for each string of lights.

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Elves in Trouble

Most people know that elves are small, but not many people know how small. They are actually about as tall as a ruler. Just the other day Santa’s elves got in some trouble. They wanted to decorate the Christmas tree in the workshop to surprise Mrs. Claus and Santa. They went to the workshop in the middle of the night. A ladder had been left by the tree, which they used to climb up and pass ornaments up and rested them on branches by the trunk of the tree. When everything was up there that they needed, all of the elves climbed into the branches of the tree. They started to decorate when they heard Santa coming. They quickly hid, but realized too late that Santa had seen the ladder and moved it. They were stuck!

Main Idea

Supporting Detail

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Name: ___________________

Creekside Teacher Tales
A Sack of Subtraction

Directions: Complete each subtraction problem. Then, solve the riddle by matching the letters next to your answers to the blanks at the bottom of the page.

What did Mrs. Claus say to Santa when she looked in the sky?

600 - 87 = 513
743 - 259 = 484
343 - 189 = 154
559 - 492 = 57

L - 368 = 747
R - 95 = 206
T - 255 = 1,635
O - 811 = 213

923 - 197 = 726
3,005 - 770 = 2,235

67 1,635 349 1,323 1,323 69 513 349 67 69 2,235

206 726 67 154 484 2,235 726 206
Help Santa and his elf place the presents under the Christmas tree by solving the multiplication equations!
Santa On Vacation

Every year on December 24th, Santa Claus has the busiest day of his year. He delivers presents to all of the good boys and girls around the world. He does that in one evening! So each year after his busiest day, Santa’s vacation begins. He needs a break just like we do! Santa takes a two week vacation at the beach. He’s been to Florida, the Caribbean, and Australia. You name it and he has been there! All he needs is his reindeer inner tube and he is ready for his vacation!

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Creekside Teacher Tales
## WEEKEND WORK

### CHRISTMAS FOODS

How many Christmas foods can you draw and label?

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### SECRET ACTS OF KINDNESS

Perform one kind deed per day. Record your kind deeds in the table below. Don't tell anyone about your kind deeds!

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Was it difficult to perform the acts of kindness without telling anyone? Why/Why not?

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Interview 3 people. Find out three Christmas gifts they would NOT like to receive!

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CHRISTMAS SYMMETRY

Complete the other side of the Christmas picture. Make sure it is symmetrical!
Solve the problems. Draw ornaments on the trees to match your answer. Example if $3+3=6$, then draw 6 ornaments on your tree.

$2 \times 4 =$  
$3 \times 3 =$  
$5 \times 3 =$  
$4 \times 3 =$  

$6 \times 2 =$  
$3 \times 1 =$  
$4 \times 4 =$  
$4 \times 5 =$  

$6 \times 3 =$  
$3 \times 7 =$  
$4 \times 2 =$  
$3 \times 2 =$
MATH

Fill in the multiplication tables.

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ELA

Change the past tense to the future tense. Write the new sentences below.

a) Santa helped the elves pack all the gifts in the sleigh.

b) Mrs. Claus wanted Santa to make her some cookies. Santa agreed.

c) Jim cooked and baked on Friday night. He told his family to come over at ten o’clock on Christmas morning.
Look at each holiday array below. Write the multiplication fact and answer on the line beneath the array.

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12.)
Julie had four friends that she wanted to share cookies with. She gave each friend 5 cookies each. How many cookies did Julie share with her four friends?

Each person in Ms. Franklin's class left out a plate of cookies with 3 cookies each for Santa. There are 20 people in her class. How many cookies were left total for Santa?

Each time dad ate 6 cookies, he drank a glass of milk. If he had 4 glasses of milk, how many cookies did he eat total?

Santa was getting full, so he shared his cookies. Santa's reindeer had 7 cookies each. There are 9 reindeer. How many cookies total was eaten?

Trisha baked 8 cookies on pan. She had to reload the pan and place it in the oven 6 times. How many cookies did she end up baking?

Seven of Santa's elves were frosting 8 cookies each. How many cookies were frosted?