

KIDS CORNER



HISTORICAL FIGURE SIR HENRY COLE

The very first Christmas card ever sent was in 1853 by Sir Henry Cole. Sir Henry had many friends and needed a way to wish them a Merry Christmas. He came up with the idea for the Christmas card and worked with John Calcott Horsley to create and print a design. They printed 1,000 copies of their Christmas card so others could also send cards to their friends and family. People now send Christmas cards to show their loved ones near and far that they care for them and to wish them a happy holiday!

SNOWBALL

I MADE MYSELF A SNOWBALL,
AS PERFECT AS COULD BE,
I THOUGHT I'D KEEP IT AS A PET,
AND LET IT SLEEP WITH ME.
I MADE IT SOME PAJAMAS,
AND A PILLOW FOR ITS HEAD,
THEN LAST NIGHT IT RAN AWAY,
BUT FIRST—IT WET THE BED!

—SHEL SILVERSTEIN

JOKING AROUND

Question

What is every parents favorite Christmas carol?

Answer

Silent Night

DID YOU KNOW?
There are more than 360 different types of Christmas trees to choose from!



CANDY CANE REINDEERS

Supplies

- Craft glue or hot glue
- Large candy canes
- Red candies (like red hots) or red pom-poms
- Small googly eyes
- Brown pipe cleaners



Directions

- Place a dab of craft glue or hot glue on the end of a candy cane's hook and press a red candy or red pom-pom onto the glue. Repeat until all of your candy canes have red "noses."
- Smear a strip of glue about 1 inch above the nose and press two googly eyes onto the glue.
- Twist a brown pipe cleaner at the top of the candy cane, right where it starts to curve. Pinch each side several times, so that it has bends that resemble reindeer antlers. If your pipe cleaner seems to slip around, add a dab of glue to the bottom so that it doesn't slide.
- Your candy cane reindeer are now finished. Although the candy canes are edible, the small parts and glue on the canes make these more appropriate for decorations than eating. If you want entirely edible candy cane reindeer, you could use royal icing to glue on the candy nose and use it to make the reindeer's eyes.

MONTHLY CHALLENGE

Get your friends together and sing your favorite Christmas songs!

