

COMPREHENSION CHECK

1. Choose the correct alternative.

1. Carols are *songs* / *stories*.
2. *Jingle Bells* *reinterprets the Christmas message* / *is a favourite school song*.
3. People heard *Happy Xmas (War is Over)* for the first time in *1969* / *1971*.
4. John Lennon died in *Liverpool* / *New York City*.
5. The song *is popular at Christmas time* / *shocked the world*.

VOCABULARY

2. Match these words in the text (1-5) to their definitions (A-E).

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> traditions | A available for people to buy |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> come out | B start selling or advertising something for the first time |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> campaign | C end a relationship |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> launched | D customs that have continued for a long time |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> split up | E organised activities aimed at achieving a specific goal |

YOUR TURN

3. Read the lyrics of the song and think about these questions.

1. Another year is almost over. What is the most important thing you have done?
2. John Lennon says 'the word is so wrong'. Do you think this is true? Why/Why not?
3. What do you hope will happen next year?