

**Describing Traditional Christmas foods (The language of food/ Business entertaining)**

**Worksheet 1- Guess the food**

**Part A**

In Austria they often eat fried carp for Christmas dinner. Carp is a kind of:

- a) Fish
- b) Vegetable
- c) Insect

A British Xmas cake is usually covered with:

- a) Fresh cream
- b) White sugar icing
- c) Chocolate icing

The ingredients of a British Christmas cake include:

- a) Strawberries
- b) Raisins
- c) Custard

If two types of potatoes are eaten as part of an Irish, British or Canadian Christmas dinner, they are usually:

- a) Mashed and roast
- b) Baked and boiled
- c) Fried and steamed

British, Canadians and Americans usually eat turkey with cranberry sauce. Cranberry sauce is a kind of:

- a) Jam
- b) Gravy
- c) Glazing

A traditional Ukrainian Christmas dinner has:

- a) 3 courses
- b) 5 courses
- c) 12 courses

The main dish of a traditional German Xmas dinner is:

- a) Roast pork
- b) Roast goose
- c) Roast turkey

Possible meats at a Dutch meal include pheasant. Pheasant is a kind of wild:

- a) Pig
- b) Bird
- c) Bear

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**Part B**

Until turkey (which was discovered in America) became popular, the most popular Xmas dish in the UK was boar. Boar is a kind of wild:

- a) Pig
- b) Bird
- c) Bear

Traditional vegetables in a British Xmas dinner are always winter vegetables (salad is rarely eaten), such as roast parsnips. A parsnip looks like a pale:

- a) Carrot
- b) Cabbage
- c) Pea

A British Xmas pudding is:

- a) Baked
- b) Steamed
- c) Grilled

If there is still some left over turkey after a British Xmas dinner (which is often, as it is a very big bird) it is eaten in sandwiches and as a salad. If there is still some left, turkey is used as an ingredient in:

- a) A curry
- b) A stew
- c) A fondue

Nut roast is a Xmas dinner suitable for:

- a) People with nut allergies
- b) People on a diet
- c) Vegetarians

The main ingredient of mince pies (often eaten on Xmas day in the UK and New Zealand) is:

- a) Minced pork
- b) Minced beef
- c) Dried fruit

Before it is cooked, a turkey is often stuffed with:

- a) Tripe
- b) Bread and herbs
- c) Rice and raisins

If prawns are served as part of a Xmas dinner in the UK they are usually part of the:

- a) Starter
- b) Main course
- c) Dessert

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**Worksheet 2- Guess the food Bluff version**

**Student A**

*Make up false answers for the gaps and read your sentences to your partner. Can they guess which answer is correct?*

In Austria they often eat fried carp for Christmas dinner. Carp is a kind of:

- a) Fish
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

A British Xmas cake is usually covered with:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) White sugar icing
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

The ingredients of a British Christmas cake include:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Raisins
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

If two types of potatoes are eaten as part of an Irish, British or Canadian Christmas dinner, they are usually:

- a) Mashed and roast
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

A traditional Ukrainian Christmas dinner has:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) 12 courses

The main dish of a traditional German Xmas dinner is:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Roast goose
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

Possible meats at a Dutch meal include pheasant. Pheasant is a kind of wild:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Bird
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Student B**

Until turkey (which was discovered in America) became popular, the most popular Xmas dish in the UK was boar. Boar is a kind of wild:

- a) Pig
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

Traditional vegetables in a British Xmas dinner are always winter vegetables (salad is rarely eaten), such as roast parsnips. A parsnip looks like a pale:

- a) Carrot
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

A British Xmas pudding is:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Steamed
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

If there is still some left over turkey after a British Xmas dinner (which is often, as it is a very big bird) it is eaten in sandwiches and as a salad. If there is still some left, turkey is used as an ingredient in:

- a) A curry
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

Nut roast is a Xmas dinner suitable for:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Vegetarians

The main ingredient of mince pies (often eaten on Xmas day in the UK and New Zealand) is:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) Dried fruit

Before it is cooked, a turkey is often stuffed with:

- a) \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Bread and herbs
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

If prawns are served as part of a Xmas dinner in the UK they are usually part of the:

- a) Starter
- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Worksheet 3- Language of describing food-Presentation and Practice**

*Without looking back at Worksheet 1 or 2, fill the words in the gaps below:*

In Austria they often eat fried carp for Christmas dinner. Carp is a \_\_\_\_\_ fish

A British Xmas cake is usually \_\_\_\_\_ white sugar icing

The ingredients of a British Christmas cake \_\_\_\_\_ raisins

A traditional Ukrainian Christmas dinner has 12 \_\_\_\_\_

The main \_\_\_\_\_ of a traditional German Xmas dinner is roast goose.

Possible meats at a Dutch meal include pheasant. Pheasant is a kind of \_\_\_\_\_ bird.

A parsnip \_\_\_\_\_ a pale carrot.

If there is still some left, turkey is used as an \_\_\_\_\_ in a curry

Nut roast is a Xmas dinner suitable \_\_\_\_\_ vegetarians

The \_\_\_\_\_ ingredient of mince pies is dried fruit

Before it is cooked, a turkey is often stuffed \_\_\_\_\_ bread and herbs

If prawns are \_\_\_\_\_ as part of Xmas dinner they are part of the starter

*Check your answers with Worksheet 1 or 2*

*Find words above that are:*

Ways of cooking:

Vegetables:

Kinds of meat:

Types of seafood:

Ingredients:

*Add more words to the categories above.*

*Using words and sentences similar to those above, describe a food (either a Xmas food or any other) one sentence at a time and see if your partner can guess which food it is after each sentence.*

*Your teacher will give you some photos of unusual foods and ingredients (e.g. insects). Look at your photo but don't show it to your partner. Reply to your partner's questions about the food with only Yes or No answers. After 10 questions, they have to decide if they will accept it as part of their Xmas dinner.*

*Continue with more pictures.*

*The person in the class with the best Xmas dinner when the teacher stops the activity is the winner.*