

# 'THE CHRISTMAS CARROLLS'

## IDEAS FOR THE CLASSROOM

- 1) Research different festivals and celebrations and discuss how they are similar or different to Christmas (e.g. birthdays, Diwali, Chinese New Year).
- 2) With a partner or in a group, create your own cheer-spreading invention (just like Holly's dad). Think about its special features, what it's made from and how it can help others.
- 3) Just like Holly, write a persuasive speech to convince your class to make you their class rep. Why are you the best person to spread cheer to the rest of the school? What ideas do you have to improve the school?
- 4) Choreograph a snowflake dance. Think about how snowflakes swirl in the wind. Try to display precision, creativity & control.
- 5) Listen to the poem 'The Christmas Life' by Wendy Cope. Then write your own Christmas poem about the sights, sounds and smells you'd bring into your home at Christmas.
- 6) Create your own dictionary (like 'Holly's Dictionary') of funny, creative and festive made-up words.
- 7) Draw yourself, your friends or family in the style of Selom Sunu's illustrations.
- 8) Write your 'wishes for the world' on tags and display them around school.



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