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1. In some countries, if you are standing under the _____ at Christmas time, someone might kiss you.
 - a) mistletoe
 - b) holly
 - c) roses
 - d) pear tree

 2. Santa Claus uses _____ to pull his sleigh.
 - a) raindear
 - b) reindeer
 - c) raindeer
 - d) reindear

 3. '_____' is an expression which is often written in Christmas cards.
 - a) Bless you!
 - b) Many happy returns!
 - c) Good luck!
 - d) Seasons Greetings!

 4. At Christmas time some people _____ their houses with lots of coloured lights, a Christmas tree and tinsel.
 - a) redecorate
 - b) decorate
 - c) renovate
 - d) refurbish

 5. If people don't like their Christmas presents, they can take them back to the shop and ask for _____.
 - a) compensation
 - b) a reward
 - c) a receipt
 - d) a refund

 6. On January 6th British people should _____ or, according to tradition, they will have bad luck for the new year.
 - a) put the decorations up
 - b) take the decorations off
 - c) take the decorations down
 - d) put the decorations down
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ANSWERS:

1. In some countries, if you are standing under the _____ at Christmas time, someone might kiss you.
 - a) **mistletoe** – **This is the correct answer. It is a plant with white berries that was used by ancient people for medicine and magic. Later it became a Scandinavian custom to kiss under it. Merry Christmas!**
 - b) holly – Sometimes people have this plant around the house at Christmas but it has red berries and is not associated with kissing. Try again!
 - c) roses – These flowers may be romantic but they are usually for Valentine's Day, not Christmas.
 - d) pear tree – This is in the song 'The Twelve Days of Christmas' but has no connection with kissing. Try again!

2. Santa Claus uses _____ to pull his sleigh.
 - a) raindear – Right word, wrong spelling!
 - b) **reindeer** – **This is the correct answer. Happy Christmas!**
 - c) raindeer – Right word, wrong spelling!
 - d) reindear – Right word, wrong spelling!

3. '_____' is an expression which is often written in Christmas cards.
 - a) Bless you! – You can say this to someone when they sneeze.
 - b) Many happy returns! – You can see this or write this in a birthday card.
 - c) Good luck! – You can see this or write this in a card for someone who is going to do something difficult or unusual, for example, taking an exam or starting a new job.
 - d) **Seasons Greetings!** – **This is the correct answer. Well done!**

4. At Christmas time some people _____ their houses with lots of coloured lights, a Christmas tree and tinsel.
- a) redecorate – This means to change the house by painting the walls or putting in new carpets.
 - b) **decorate – This is the correct answer. Merry Christmas!**
 - c) renovate – This means to make a house look new again (by repainting it, for example).
 - d) refurbish – This means to make a house look new again (by adding new curtains, for example).
5. If people don't like their Christmas presents, they can take them back to the shop and ask for a _____.
- a) compensation – This is the money you get if something has gone wrong, for example, you had an accident and it was someone else's fault.
 - b) a reward – This is what you get if you have done something good for someone.
 - c) a receipt – This is the piece of paper you get when you buy something. In some countries you need to take it to the shop if you want your money back. Try again!
 - d) **a refund – This is the correct answer. Happy Christmas!**
6. On January 6th British people should _____ or tradition says they will have bad luck for the new year.
- a) put the decorations up – This phrasal verb is what people do at the beginning of Christmas when they hang decorations around their houses. It is the opposite of the phrasal verb you need here!
 - b) take the decorations off – This phrasal verb is not used with decorations. It is normally used for clothes, e.g. to take your coat off.
 - c) **take the decorations down – This is correct. Happy Christmas!**
 - d) put the decorations down – 'Put down' is used for something you are holding in your hand. It is the opposite of 'pick up.'

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