

A Christmas Carol is such a fool-proof story you can't louse it up.

Leonard Maltin

A good conscience is a continual Christmas.

Benjamin Franklin

A lovely thing about Christmas is that it's compulsory, like a thunderstorm, and we all go through it together.

Garrison Keillor

According to an ancient Sardinian legend, the bodies of those who are born on Christmas Eve will never dissolve into dust but are preserved until the end of time.

Grazia Deledda

Actually, my mother and Alfie came for three weeks' Christmas vacation and stayed for 21 years. I guess my mother never went back because she was lonely.

Frank McCourt

And of course there's so much music in and around our family. I had a piano during Christmas because it's obviously useful through the season. There are so many people, songwriters, who are around.

Ashley Judd

At Christmas our house is like a Donnie and Marie Christmas Special.

Kevin Richardson

At Christmas play and make good cheer, for Christmas comes but once a year.

Thomas Tusser

At Christmas, It's a Wonderful Life makes me cry in exactly the same places every time, even though I know it's coming.

Nicholas Lea

Besides the two Christmas things, we've got a about a dozen new tracks we're working on.

Chris Frantz

Bloody Christmas, here again, let us raise a loving cup, peace on earth, goodwill to men, and make them do the washing up.

Wendy Cope

But Tammy Faye calls me, and Ron Jeremy calls me, Erik Estrada sends me a Christmas card every year.

Trishelle Cannatella

Christmas albums are not something you do frequently.

Isaac Hanson

Christmas carols always brought tears to my eyes. I also cry at weddings. I should have cried at a couple of my own.

Ethel Merman

Christmas Eve I saw a stable, low and very bare, A little child in a manger. The oxen knew Him, had Him in their care, To men He was a stranger, The safety of the world was lying there, And the world's danger.

Mary Elizabeth Coleridge

Christmas in Bethlehem. The ancient dream: a cold, clear night made brilliant by a glorious star, the smell of incense, shepherds and wise men falling to their knees in adoration of the sweet baby, the incarnation of perfect love.

Lucinda Franks

Christmas is a holiday that persecutes the lonely, the frayed, and the rejected.

Jimmy Cannon

Christmas is a season for kindling the fire for hospitality in the hall, the genial flame of charity in the heart.

Washington Irving

Christmas is a time when kids tell Santa what they want and adults pay for it. Deficits are when adults tell the government what they want - and their kids pay for it.

Richard Lamm

Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas.

Calvin Coolidge

Christmas is over and Business is Business.

Franklin P. Adams

Christmas is taken very seriously in this household. I believe in Father Christmas, and there's no way I'd do anything to undermine that belief.

Carol Ann Duffy

Christmas is the antithesis of Thanksgiving. Christmas is pretty much a man-made holiday.

John Clayton

Christmas is the day that holds all time together.

Alexander Smith

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Richard Lamm

Christmas is, of course, the time to be home - in heart as well as body.

Garry Moore

Christmas isn't a season. It's a feeling.

Edna Ferber

Christmas makes everything twice as sad.

Doug Coupland

Christmas makes me happy no matter what time of year it comes around.

Bryan White

Christmas renews our youth by stirring our wonder. The capacity for wonder has been called our most pregnant human faculty, for in it are born our art, our science, our religion.

Ralph W. Sockman

Christmas to a child is the first terrible proof that to travel hopefully is better than to arrive.

Stephen Fry

Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful.

Norman Vincent Peale

Christmas, children, is not a date. It is a state of mind.

Mary Ellen Chase

Christmas, my child, is love in action. Every time we love, every time we give, it's Christmas.

Dale Evans

Christmas... is not an eternal event at all, but a piece of one's home that one carries in one's heart.

Freya Stark

Chum was a British boy's weekly which, at the end of the year was bound into a single huge book; and the following Christmas parents bought it as Christmas presents for male children.

A. E. van Vogt

Come Christmas Eve, we usually go to my mom and dad's. Everybody brings one gift and

then we play that game when we all steal it from each other. Some are really cool, others are useful and some are a bit out there.

Amy Grant

Coming from Chicago, I like a white Christmas.

Dennis Franz

Dad bought me a toy drum one Christmas, and I eventually destroyed it. I wanted a real drum and he bought me a snare drum. Dad continued to buy me one drum after the other.

Keith Thibodeaux

Did you know that Christmas Day is absolutely the best day to fly? It is. No crowded airports and crowded planes. I always flew to Australia. That's what Christmas was for me - a plane journey to the next tournament.

Monica Seles

Even though we're a week and a half away from Thanksgiving, it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.

Richard Roeper

Fantastic! Right in the middle of that long stretch between Christmas and Spring Break, your coats are getting dirty, everything's dark, dingy - what a great time for a movie!

John Hughes

From a commercial point of view, if Christmas did not exist it would be necessary to invent it.

Katherine Whitehorn

From the time that I can remember, I worked to make money - either baby-sitting, or one year wrapping gifts at a department store at Christmas, so I could have my own money.

Christie Hefner

Happy, happy Christmas, that can win us back to the delusions of our childhood days, recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth, and transport the traveler back to his own fireside and quiet home!

Charles Dickens

He put a ring in the toe of a stocking. On Christmas Eve, we opened our stockings and it was there at the bottom of the toe. Then he got down on his knees and he was shaking.

Kyra Sedgwick

He who has not Christmas in his heart will never find it under a tree.

Roy L. Smith

I actually share her view and understand her frustration when any government attempts to ban secular symbols like Santa Claus or Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer or Christmas lights.

Steve Israel

I beg to present you as a Christmas gift the city of Savannah.

William Tecumseh Sherman

I can't tell you how scary it can be walking onto a movie and suddenly joining this family, it's like going to somebody else's Christmas dinner, everyone knows everyone, and you're there and you're not quite sure what you're supposed to be doing.

John Cleese

I didn't know the full dimensions of forever, but I knew it was longer than waiting for Christmas to come.

Richard Brautigan

I don't know of too many double Christmas albums, so it is something that's new, and hopefully will be fun, and there's plenty of stuff out there to cut.

Garth Brooks

I don't think Christmas is necessarily about things. It's about being good to one another, it's about the Christian ethic, it's about kindness.

Carrie Fisher

I don't want to see people decorating a house or digging a garden. As for guys like Jonathan Ross, he got an award there last Christmas. What for? He doesn't sing, dance or tell jokes, does he?

Ian St. John

I get a little behind during Lent, but it comes out even at Christmas.

Frank Butler

I got a guitar when I was about 14, for a Christmas present, and went from there.

Robin Trower

I got up one Christmas morning and we didn't have nothing to eat. We didn't have an apple, we didn't have an orange, we didn't have a cake, we didn't have nothing.

Muddy Waters

I grew up with the classics. My mom and I would sit and watch "Singin' in the Rain" and "White Christmas" - those kind of movies.

Lucas Grabeel

I have a musical called Goodbye and Good Luck, based on a Grace Paley short story. I also have King Island Christmas, and there are 20 different productions of it this year.

David Friedman

I intend to keep writing Christmas songs. There's still a lot more about Christmas that can be captured and feel like old-time Christmas. A lot of the traditions haven't been explained in song.

Clint Black

Unless we make Christmas an occasion to share our blessings, all the snow in Alaska won't make it "white".

Bing Crosby

We always had lutefisk for Christmas dinner, after which Dad read from the Norwegian Bible.

Peter Agre

We consider Christmas as the encounter, the great encounter, the historical encounter, the decisive encounter, between God and mankind. He who has faith knows this truly; let him rejoice.

Pope Paul VI

We didn't have a whole lot of money when I was growing up either. I would always ask for magic books or magic tricks for my birthday or for Christmas and the rest of the year I either had to mow lawns or find part time jobs to help supplement the cost of doing magic.

Lance Burton

We never really had any kind of a Christmas. This is one part where my memory fails me completely.

Frank McCourt

We should declare war on North Vietnam. We could pave the whole country and put parking strips on it, and still be home by Christmas.

Ronald Reagan

What I don't like about office Christmas parties is looking for a job the next day.

Phyllis Diller

Whatever he does should be seen as working at the Presidency and if he goes to Colorado for Christmas, it should be for a minimum amount of time, the family tradition and family get-together aspect emphasized, and it be seen as a working vacation.

Robert Teeter

When I was 12, all I wanted for Christmas was a trampoline or a four-wheeler. I ended up getting both presents for Christmas.

Chris Brown

When I was five my parents bought me a ukulele for Christmas. I quickly learned how to play it with my father's guidance. Thereafter, my father regularly taught me all the good old fashioned songs.

Tony Visconti

When we were children we were grateful to those who filled our stockings at Christmas time. Why are we not grateful to God for filling our stockings with legs?

Gilbert K. Chesterton

Windows are as essential to office prestige as Christmas is to retailing.

Enid Nemy

With the song 'This Christmas' I wanted to do something that was kind of different. I mean, Donny Hathaway is an amazing artist. So I wanted to bring my flavor to the song so when people over the age of 45 or 50 hear it they'll be like 'OK, he did his thing with that record.' It's like I can appeal to everybody and not just a younger demographic.

Chris Brown

Yeah, I started when I was 6 years old. My brother and sister would get all of these presents at Christmas time from the cast and crew of their show and I was jealous. So I decided that I had to become an actor.

Sara Gilbert

The denominational world tries to pressure its members to focus on the birth of Christ, but in doing so layers of guilt are imposed, and competition gets complicated as one Christmas program tries to outdo the other.

John Clayton

The earth has grown old with its burden of care But at Christmas it always is young, The heart of the jewel burns lustrous and fair And its soul full of music breaks the air, When the song of angels is sung.

Phillips Brooks

The Earth reminded us of a Christmas tree ornament hanging in the blackness of space. As we got farther and farther away it diminished in size. Finally it shrank to the size of a marble, the most beautiful marble you can imagine.

James Irwin

The next thing I wrote was in a writing class at night school. It was about a poor woman who worked at a dime store and who was all alone for Christmas in Laurel, Mississippi.

Beth Henley

The truth is that our way of celebrating the Christmas season does spring from myriad cultures and sources, from St. Nicholas to Coca-Cola advertising campaigns.

Richard Roeper

The truth is the Super Bowl long ago became more than just a football game. It's part of our culture like turkey at Thanksgiving and lights at Christmas, and like those holidays beyond their meaning, a factor in our economy.

Bob Schieffer

The unfortunate thing about working for yourself is that you have the worst boss in the world. I work every day of the year except at Christmas, when I work a half day.

David Eddings

'The war in Iraq - if Osama was a Christian - it's the Christmas present he never would have expected.

Michael Scheuer

The worst gift that I ever gave a girl was a suitcase for Christmas. As in, 'I can't think of anything to give you, but here's a new suitcase.' Afterward, I was like, 'What were you thinking, idiot?'

Jensen Ackles

There are no strangers on Christmas Eve.

Adele Comandini

There are some people who want to throw their arms round you simply because it is Christmas; there are other people who want to strangle you simply because it is Christmas.

Robert Lynd

There are very few people who have done more than one Christmas album.

Isaac Hanson

There's a little vanity chair that Charlie gave me the first Christmas we knew each other. I'll not be parting with that, nor our bed - the four-poster - I'll be needing that to die in.

Helen Hayes

There's been a concerted effort to steal Christmas.

Jerry Falwell

There's nothing sadder in this world than to awake Christmas morning and not be a child.

Erma Bombeck

Those worship songs on the Christmas project will air on PBS television. That's highly unusual.

John Tesh

Time always seems long to the child who is waiting - for Christmas, for next summer, for

becoming a grownup: long also when he surrenders his whole soul to each moment of a happy day.

Dag Hammarskjold

'Tis blessed to bestow, and yet, Could we bestow the gifts we get, And keep the ones we give away, How happy were our Christmas day!

Carolyn Wells

To perceive Christmas through its wrappings becomes more difficult with every year.

E. B. White

To understand this Christmas record, you have to understand our ministry.

John Tesh

My grandson sees me as Lois on TV every Christmas, and that scores me points.

Margot Kidder

My mother was a professional sick person; she took a lot of pain pills. There are many people like that. It's just how they are used to getting attention. I always remember she's the daughter of alcoholics who'd leave her alone at Christmas time.

Jim Carrey

My mother would give my brothers and me a pile of catalogues and let us pick what we wanted for Christmas.

Kary Mullis

Next to a circus there ain't nothing that packs up and tears out faster than the Christmas spirit.

Kin Hubbard

No sane local official who has hung up an empty stocking over the municipal fireplace, is going to shoot Santa Claus just before a hard Christmas.

Alfred E. Smith

Now I'm an old Christmas tree, the roots of which have died. They just come along and while the little needles fall off me replace them with medallions.

Orson Welles

Now, the essence, the very spirit of Christmas is that we first make believe a thing is so, and lo, it presently turns out to be so.

Stephen Leacock

On the whole, I prefer Christmas as an adult than I did as a child.

Nigella Lawson

Orphans, dead parents, lonely children at Christmas, morose spoken word recordings, everything you love about the holidays. Move the turkey over so you can fit your head in the oven.

April Winchell

Our children await Christmas presents like politicians getting in election returns: there's the Uncle Fred precinct and the Aunt Ruth district still to come in.

Marcelene Cox

Our last jam session was this past Christmas. Dad played his harmonica, mom sang in English and Italian, and I played guitar. I'm so happy that we could share that musical experience for one last time.

Tony Visconti

Our whole family assembles in Chicago at Christmas and usually in Aspen in the summer.

James Cronin

Pets, like their owners, tend to expand a little over the Christmas period.

Frances Wright

Please to put a nickel, please to put a dime. How petitions trickle in at Christmas time!

Phyllis McGinley

So many people release albums before Christmas and they get lost in the Christmas rush.

Bonnie Tyler

So we're considering doing a new Christmas album, because there's been Christmas episodes since then, and maybe finally do the version of "The Most Offensive Song Ever" with lyrics intact.

Trey Parker

So when I was 13, I basically left home and never returned and lived at home again. I would come home for a week at Christmas and two weeks in the summer only.

Peter Jurasik

South Park started as a little video Christmas card.

Joel Hodgson

T'was the night before Christmas, when all through the house, not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse.

Clement Clarke Moore

That's the true spirit of Christmas; people being helped by people other than me.

Jerry Seinfeld

I'm so depressed. Christmas is the worst of all. Holidays are terrible, worse than Sundays. I get melancholia.

David O. Selznick

I've also committed my time and resources to many local organizations like Christmas in April, Catholic Community Services, and Hudson County Meals on Wheels.

Vincent Frank

I've been in elementary education for years and my belief is that Christmas pageants in schools are little more than conditioning kids for the Christian religion.

Jack Bowman

If you pray enough for things, I am proof that they can happen. I feel like a kid on Christmas day now, every day. It's something I have wanted for a long time and I am as happy as anyone to be here. It is great to be back at my first love.

Robbie Fowler

If you want me to sing this Christmas song with the feeling and the meaning, you better see if you can locate that check.

Mahalia Jackson

In 1934, the American Jewish charities offered to find homes for 300 German refugee children. We were on the SS Washington, bound for New York, Christmas 1934.

Jack Steinberger

In fact, I was one of the few trusted people that Lucy allowed to play with their kids. I spent time at their summer home, rode horses at their ranch, and swam at their beach house. I even spent a Christmas with them at Palm Springs one year.

Keith Thibodeaux

In our racist, sexist society, Christmas is the 8 hours when we stop killing each other and gratuitous over eating is encouraged so that the starving and other people in the world can die!

Lloyd Kaufman

In the spring of 1994 I decided not to seek reelection to the Senate. I had made the decision 12 years earlier, Christmas Day of 1982, just after I had been first elected to a full term, that I would do the best I could for a limited time.

George J. Mitchell

In the United States Christmas has become the rape of an idea.

Richard Bach

It was for one of his last Christmas specials. I remember I went to his hotel room to rehearse with him, and he was zoned out on medication or something, and I'm thinking,

How is this going to happen?

Macaulay Culkin

It will be a hard game if you think about winning a championship. We need to think about our own game at the moment and focus on getting good results especially over the Christmas period.

Dennis Bergkamp

It's hard and sometimes it's scary. It still amazes my mother. I went home for Christmas one year and there were fans all over the front lawn, hoping to see me.

Luke Perry

It's quite a famous story that takes place on Christmas Eve, and the Germans, French, and Scottish are trying to make peace one night and they bury their dead and they play football. I play a German opera singer, in German, which I never have so I am really excited about that.

Diane Kruger

It's silly talking about how many years we will have to spend in the jungles of Vietnam when we could pave the whole country and put parking stripes on it and still be home by Christmas.

Ronald Reagan

Lately I did a film called All I Want for Christmas and it was well received. This gave me a new point of view and a new respect for my work as an actress.

Sarah Polley

Mail your packages early so the post office can lose them in time for Christmas.

Johnny Carson

Maybe Christmas, the Grinch thought, doesn't come from a store.

Theodor Geisel

Moving between the legs of tables and of chairs, rising or falling, grasping at kisses and toys, advancing boldly, sudden to take alarm, retreating to the corner of arm and knee, eager to be reassured, taking pleasure in the fragrant brilliance of the Christmas tree.

Frank Howard Clark

My favorite traditional Christmas movie that I like to watch is All Quiet on the Western Front. It's just not December without that movie in my house.

Tom Hanks

