

# Teaching Calendar

Here you'll find selected cultural, political, and commemorative dates and upcoming events that may be of interest, relevant to the LINC Curriculum to support language training instructors.

## December 2018

### *Days of Religious Significance This Month*

(see <http://www.interfaith-calendar.org/> for more information)

Dec 02 – 24, 2018	Advent begins (through Dec 24) – <b>Christian</b>
Dec 03 – 10, 2018	Hanukkah (begins sundown on Dec 02) – <b>Jewish</b>
Dec 06, 2018	Feast of St. Nicholas – <b>Christian</b>
Dec 08, 2018	Feast of the Immaculate Conception – <b>Catholic Christian</b> Bodhi Day (Rohatsu) – <b>Buddhist</b>
Dec 12, 2018	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe – <b>Catholic Christian</b>
Dec 16 – 25, 2018	Posadas Navideñas – <b>Hispanic Christian</b>
Dec 24, 2018	Christmas Eve – <b>Christian</b>
Dec 25, 2018	Christmas – <b>Christian</b> Feast of the Nativity – <b>Orthodox Christian</b>
Dec 26, 2018	Zarathosht-no-diso (death of Prophet Zarathushtra) – <b>Zoroastrian</b> Feast of Saint Stephen – <b>Christian</b>
Dec 28, 2018	Feast of the Holy Innocents – <b>Christian</b>
Dec 30, 2018	Feast of the Holy Family – <b>Catholic Christian</b>
Dec 31, 2018	Watch Night – <b>Christian</b>

*Santa Claus Parades This Month*

December 01, 2018 Etobicoke-Lakeshore

<http://lakeshoresantaclausparade.com/>

December 02, 2018 Burlington

<https://www.burlington.ca/en/live-and-play/Santa-Claus-Parade.asp>

*Days and Weeks of Cultural Significance This Month*

December 01, 2018 Eat a Red Apple Day

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/fun/eat-a-red-apple-day>

<http://www.holidayinsights.com/moreholidays/December/eataredappleday.htm>

December 02, 2018 International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/international-day-abolish-slavery>

December 03, 2018 First Day of Hanukkah

<https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/chanukah>

December 03, 2018 International Day of Persons with Disabilities

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/international-day-persons-disabilities>

<https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international-day-of-persons-with-disabilities.html>

(includes reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, unscramble the sentences, discussion questions, pairs survey and writing; includes the links below)

<https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international-day-of-persons-with-disabilities-g.htm>

(interactive online exercise)

<https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international-day-of-persons-with-disabilities.mp3>

(MP3 listening file)

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December 05, 2018 International Volunteer Day

<https://volunteer.ca/index.php?MenuitemID=327>

[http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/12/international\\_volunteer\\_day.html](http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/12/international_volunteer_day.html)

(includes reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, unscramble the sentences, discussion questions, pairs survey and writing; includes the links below)

[http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/12/international\\_volunteer\\_day-q.htm](http://www.eslholidaylessons.com/12/international_volunteer_day-q.htm)

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(MP3 listening file)

December 06, 2018 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National\\_Day\\_of\\_Remembrance\\_and\\_Action\\_on\\_Violence\\_Against\\_Women](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Day_of_Remembrance_and_Action_on_Violence_Against_Women)

December 08, 15 & 22, 2018 Black Creek Pioneer Village – Christmas by Lamplight

<https://blackcreek.ca/calendar/>

December 10, 2018 Human Rights Day

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/human-rights-day>

[https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/human\\_rights\\_day.html](https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/human_rights_day.html)

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[https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/human\\_rights\\_day-q.htm](https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/human_rights_day-q.htm)

(interactive online exercise)

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December 11, 2018 Anniversary of the Statute of Westminster in Canada

<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/westminster-statute-anniversary>

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December 18, 2018 International Migrants Day  
<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/un/international-migrants-day>  
[https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international\\_migrants\\_day.html](https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international_migrants_day.html)  
(includes reading, listening, vocabulary, spelling, unscramble the sentences, discussion questions, pairs survey and writing; includes the links below)

[https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international\\_migrants\\_day-q.htm](https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international_migrants_day-q.htm)  
(interactive online exercise)

[https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international\\_migrants\\_day.mp3](https://eslholidaylessons.com/12/international_migrants_day.mp3)  
(MP3 listening file)

December 21, 2018 First Day of Winter/Winter Solstice  
<http://www.timeanddate.com/calendar/december-solstice.html>  
<http://www.almanac.com/content/first-day-winter-winter-solstice>

December 24, 2018 Christmas Eve  
<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas-eve>

December 25, 2018 Christmas Day  
<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas>  
<https://learningenglishwithmichelle.blogspot.com/2016/12/esl-nativity-christmas-listening.html>  
(for intermediate and advanced students)

<https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Lower-Levels-Christmas.pdf>  
(for lower levels – CLB 1 to 4)

[https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Higher-Levels\\_Christmas2.pdf](https://listn.tutela.ca/wp-content/uploads/Resources-for-Higher-Levels_Christmas2.pdf)  
(for higher levels – CLB 5 to 8)

December 26, 2018 St. Stephen's Day (Boxing Day)  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boxing\\_Day](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Boxing_Day)  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint\\_Stephen%27s\\_Day](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Stephen%27s_Day)

December 26, 2018 Kwanzaa  
<http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/kwanzaa/>

December 31, 2018 New Year's Eve  
<http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/new-year-eve>

