

# What is your favorite holiday memory?



My favorite holiday memory is decorating the tree. We put pretty ornaments on the tree. We spend time with our family. The tree lights are bright and the ornaments make it so pretty.

**Anna Brinegar, 1st, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Light**

My favorite holiday memory is when my brother came home from the army for Christmas last year. He hadn't yet been deployed, but it was still wonderful to see him. He had been gone for over a year and a half when he came home. We may fight like cats and dogs but when he came home, everything changed. Overall, my favorite holiday memory was when my brother came home.

**Cami Bennett, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley**

My favorite holiday memory is when my whole family baked cookies for Santa. Every year we invite my aunts over just to make cookies. It is always so much fun. We divide up all the cookies so everyone has an equal amount to decorate. We also make extra for everyone to eat afterwards.

**Mia Jerrell, 6th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Gibson**

Learning the Christmas story about Jesus is my favorite holiday memory, because his story is always number one. His birth leads onto why I'm alive, his story with Mary proves miracles happen, and the story brings me and many others joy.

**Ashley Shoemaker, 8th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Brooks**

It was the night of Christmas Eve and I knew that someday in the future that it would be a memory. One of the best memories I have was always going to bed early so I would wake up early and get to the gifts first. I also loved giving gifts to little kids in the foster homes. My last memory I have made is, every year when my entire family and I go to my great-aunt's house for our family tradition. Those are some of my best holiday memories and I love them so very much.

**Emma Bentley, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers**

My favorite holiday memory is Christmas last year because I still had my dad. It was the best year of Christmas that I ever had in my entire life.

**Makayla Burgan, 6th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Gibson**

My favorite holiday memory is all of them. I don't have a favorite memory. I'll share one of my many memories, one time my cousins and I got a cardboard box and slid down a hill on Thanksgiving. Christmas and Thanksgiving are my favorite holidays.

**Zander Lowe, 6th, Elydale Elementary, Mr. DiVirgilio**

My favorite Christmas memory was when we went to my aunt's house for Christmas. It was one of my first times I had been to my aunt's house for Christmas. I loved seeing my cousins and family. My favorite part about this Christmas memory is the part where I got a giant bear. I love Christmas memories!

**Aybree Brandt, 6th, Weber City Elementary, Mrs. Sanders**

My favorite holiday memory is when I opened my presents with my dog Brando. It was the last moments with him. I still cry when I think of him.

**Ethan Jackson, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers**

My favorite holiday memory is baking Christmas cookies. My family and I make cookies that look like trees. Sometimes we make gingerbread men. We ice the cookies that look like trees. Then we put little sprinkles on top. After we sprinkle the cookies we put them in the refrigerator.

**Reese Stallard, 1st, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Light**

My favorite holiday memory was the Christmas of 2015. My nephew was born the summer of that year so it was his first Christmas. My mom, dad, brother, sister, and nephew opened gifts and took turns holding the baby. My sister's husband was deployed, so sadly he wasn't there. We spent the whole morning together and opened gifts. I also got to see my brother, whom I never see because he is always busy. It was the best Christmas I've ever had!

**Naomi Castle, 6th, Weber City Elementary, Mrs. Sanders**

My favorite holiday memory is when my family and I went to our Nana's on Christmas. We ate ham and had a fantastic time. We stayed up and opened our presents. They were the best presents ever. Then we ate some turkey and left. That is my favorite holiday memory.

**Cash Jones, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Edwards**

My favorite memory is my sister's first Christmas. When my sister opened her first present it was so cute. She was so happy. She played with her toy all day. She asked her big brother to help her open her toy. That is my favorite memory.

**Braedon Willis, 4th, Miller Perry Elementary, Ms. Jeffers**

My favorite holiday memory is when my mom, dad, and I went to a Christmas tree farm. The farm was on the top of White Top Mountain. We picked out the perfect tree for a Christmas tree with a two-handed saw. This is my favorite holiday memory.

**Matthew Hamilton, 6th, Weber City Elementary, Mrs. Sanders**

My favorite holiday memory is New Year's Eve of 2015. This is my favorite memory because it is the night I got saved as well as three other people. This holiday

memory is my most memorable and favorite holiday to me because I can be a light to other people, and I know that I will never lose what I got that night. This is why my favorite memory is New Year's Eve of 2015.

**Josie Templeton, 8th, Surgoinsville Middle, Mrs. Hensley**

My favorite holiday memory is when I went to my papaw's house and I ran into the door on Easter. Also, I went to my aunt's house on Christmas and my brother fell in the creek.

**Jessi Armstrong, 5th, Elydale Elementary, Mr. DiVirgilio**

My favorite holiday memory is with my sister. It was Christmas Eve and everyone was asleep but us. We decided to stay up until twelve o'clock. We've done that since we were little so we kind of made it a tradition. I love this little thing we do because it gives us a chance to bond with each other. That's what my favorite holiday memory is.

**Lindsey Eldridge, 8th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Brooks**

My favorite holiday memory is Thanksgiving. The reason why is because the night before we stay up all night long and cook. We have fun. We make all kinds of different dishes. Then we like to goof around and put icing on each other and stuff. Then Thanksgiving morning we have our feast. Then we have fun and we are filled with laughter and happiness all day long.

**Madison King, 6th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Gibson**

My favorite holiday memory is from last Christmas. Santa brought me a cool tablet. Santa and my mom got me a lot of Power Rangers too. We also went to my Uncle Travis's house with my whole family. This was my best holiday memory.

**Billy Balthis, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Rhoton**

My favorite holiday memory was when I was at Bass Pro on Christmas. When we were seeing Santa, I got to him and I told him what I wanted. My brother went and cried his head off, he was so scared. Then we got to see all kinds of toys and play with them. We saw all kinds of stuff I will never forget.

**Eli Day, 6th, Elydale Elementary, Mr. DiVirgilio**

My favorite holiday memory was five years ago when my dad came home in the middle of the night on Christmas Eve and my grandmother woke me up at one in the morning to take me "somewhere." My dad comes up behind me and taps on my shoulder and picks me up and tells me a special secret. When he let me down, I ran to the kitchen and I saw my little sister that I haven't seen in two years. We both cried because she had a special present for me that we both still have to this day. She and I still have our necklaces and our heart lockets from our dad.

**Jazmine Stone, 8th, Jonesville Middle, Mrs. Brooks**

My favorite holiday memory is when Dad, Mom, my sisters, and I built a snowman. I made a lump of snow and I laid my head on it. I pretended that it was a bed. My mom and dad got some real buttons, a carrot, and two raisins for the eyes. After that, we went inside and had some nice, hot chocolate. That is my favorite holiday memory.

**Elizabeth Jennings, 2nd, Hilton Elementary, Mrs. Edwards**

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