

HOLIDAY DECORATING

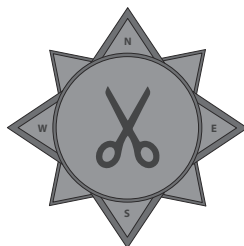
“Where are you going with that saw, Balthazar?” Roland asked.

“I’m off to cut down our family’s Christmas tree. It’s a tradition and I get to do it this year.”

“Oh, we buy a tree at the tree farm. It’s fun — Christmas music and hot chocolate.”

Jasper added, “Our tree is in a box. We just put it together every year.”

“Yes,” Balthazar said. “Each family decorates for Christmas differently.



EARN THIS NUGGET

Trailblazers: With your parent’s permission, work on decorating your room for the festive season. Use a mixture of household decorations and those that you make yourself. Also, make personal festive placemats out of construction paper and decorate them for each family member.

Rockhoppers: This year, if you have a tree, this will be your responsibility. If you don’t have a tree, then concentrate on the other inside decorations.

Cragzman: If you have outside decorations, you are going to be responsible for getting these set up with your parent’s oversight. If you don’t do outside decorations, make this the best year for inside decorations

Some like very elaborate decorations; others are fine with just a small tree. Let’s think of some of the different ways to decorate our homes.”

- Put lights outside.
- Put candles on the table.
- Place a manger scene under the tree or on a shelf.
- Build a gingerbread house.
- Set up a winter snow scene
- Place some big, blow-up balloons on the yard.
- Did you know you can put Christmas lights inside the house? Hang them around the windows and doors, of course on the tree.



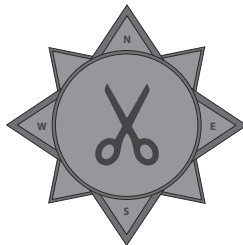
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“My cousins put a little tree in their bedroom.” Roland told his friends.

Jasper wondered, “Can we decorate our bedrooms?”

“Well, ask your parents. Let’s come up with some bedroom ideas,” Balthazar suggested.

- Decorate a little Christmas tree.
- Color some Christmas and winter cut-outs and hang from a string or piece of yarn.
- Hang a personal Advent calendar.
- Use wrapping paper and ribbon to cover your door like a present.



The three friends agreed it was going to fun to decorate their homes with their families. They all headed home to share the ideas with their parents.



Companion Lesson

Level L

1682 – Decorate Your Home

Resources:

Easy Window Paint

<https://www.makeandtakes.com/homemade-window-paint-for-kids>

Decorating Kids’ Room

<https://www.landofnod.com/Design-Library/Decorating-Your-Kids-Room-For-The-Holidays>

Creative Christmas Ideas

<https://bouncebackparenting.com/creative-christmas-countdown/>