

WORD OF THE WEEK

Other forms of the word:

**Yuletide
(adjective)**

Definition:

**Christmas season
or Christmas time**

Yuletide (noun and adjective)

Example sentence:

School will close the following Friday for the Yuletide holidays.

When could you use this word?

In a Christmas letter or when writing your Christmas cards. You may also find it useful in English and RE

Can you think of anything we eat at Christmas time which we can link to the word yuletide?

What is *yule*?

Yule comes from a name for a 12-day festival, celebrated by Germanic people, around the winter solstice in December and January. By the 900s (yes, that long ago!), *yule* was already mapped on the Christian celebration of Christmas and its surrounding festivities.

The *yule log*, as in the lyric “See the blazing yule before us,” was originally a real tree limb or trunk burnt on the hearth, but now makes an appearance at Christmastime as a cake shaped like a log.

What is *yuletide*?

Christmas can refer to December 25th itself, but it can also refer to the whole Christmas season.

Yule can work the same way: *yule* can refer to both Christmas and the broader Christmas season, which can also be called *yuletide*.

So, you can call “Christmas” *yule* and “Christmastime” *yuletide*, but you wouldn’t call “Christmas Day” itself *yuletide*.

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Yuletide greetings



YULELOG
RUDOLPH
MINCEPIES
PRAYERS
CAROLS
CHRISTMAS
YULETIDE
MARY
JOSEPH
JESUS
CANDLES

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