

Time to rank more random words, the difference being they will all be Christmassy! 'But you never skip random words! Surely they can't ALL be Christmassy!' Well, I made them Christmassy. Well I tried, some words were just too disturbing to be made festive. Got you curious? Then read on!

Execute

In last place is 'execute'! Who wants to be executed on Christmas? I'm not saying murderers should be freed on the day, but I think killing them is too far. Let them watch a funny film, maybe. Maybe they do, who knows? I do know that at least some get to eat turkey, but I heard it's rubbish. If money's an issue, maybe let the convicts play a super fun football match. 'But you know prisoners, they always try to stab each other...' True, but if armies can stop fighting on Christmas like they did in WW1, prisoners can stop attacking each other, too. :)

Swipe

Swiping (hitting OR stealing something) on Christmas? Awful. Swiping something (dragging your finger a bit) on your mobile phone is perfectly fine, though. Talk about a word with a wide variety of meanings. I hope no one ever hits me, steals from me or drags their finger across me on Jesus's birthday.

Threaten

Again, threatening someone on Christmas really is low. You really can't wait a few days? If not, maybe tone things down and just warn someone a little bit? Similarly, Christmas Eve and boxing day should be respected. Oh yes and birthdays, too. And maybe Easter. Decent people threaten others on a Monday, the least popular day of the week. 'But Simon, this Christmas is on a Monday!' Wow, that's complicated. Maybe just point your finger at the disliked person??

Provoke

If you're executed, threatened AND provoked on Christmas, you're clearly having an absolutely rubbish time. No football for you I guess, as you're probably going to be in protective custody. That's a strange thought as soon you'll be dying. I mean, I guess you'll be protected for a little bit...

Enemy

A very hostile Christmas so far, but it does get better. There's an Yngwie Malmsteen song called 'Enemy' which isn't particularly Christmassy, BUT it is obscure, and as Crimbo is a one in 365 day event, that makes the day obscure too. So yea, there's a link. Having said that, if the Yngwie track was played on a festive station it would only cause confusion.

Bother

This is a depressing word, isn't it? As in 'I really have to bother wrapping presents?' But at least you're not being executed! Or are you? If you are about to be what

presents are you wrapping exactly? Toothbrushes and packs of crisps? Because as far as I'm aware, that's all you'll be able to get your hands on. Or maybe some shampoo.

Passive

You don't want people threatening you on Christmas as explained, so it's clearly better if you have a passive Christmas. But even so, it does sound annoying. It would be like 'Can I have a present?' and getting no response. Well that's not truly passive, that's more a passive aggressive Christmas, but yeah, better than death.

Name

Christmas names are kind of interesting, I guess. Rudolph, Vixen and Donner the reindeer? They're just nothing to get excited about in my opinion. Well maybe Donner, the kebab reindeer is pretty exciting. But the NAME 'Donner' doesn't get me excited, that's what I'm saying. Just the food.

Scan

Scanning for chocolates in randomised advert calendars is at least slightly entertaining I guess. And yes, I did get an advent calendar this year. So what? Is it a problem if a part of me looks forward to the promise of chocolate and enjoys playing a 'where is it?' game at the same time? Stop caring what others think and live life to the max. It's often boring scanning for other things such as grammar mistakes, BUT doing so is important. A word you probably value, too.

Cultural

Culture is another word for the arts, chocolate making is an art form, I love chocolate, so I love culture. Me saying I love culture without that explanation sounds a bit pretentious, especially if you've read my podcasts which are basically based on reality, but hey.

Crew

I've only ever been on a plane twice. Whilst I don't appreciate crews most of the time, I certainly did then. And pilots flying on Christmas, not getting frustrated and not pretending the plane is crashing to annoy everyone else? Respect. Because I would do that.

Loud

Some loud noises are welcome on Christmas, for example someone (me) going 'Woooo!' others, not so much. (For example crying prisoners). But as I've never been on death row (if I had, that would suggest I've escaped jail and have killed at least one person in America then flown back to England!!) such cries aren't what I'm familiar with. So yeah, a reasonable word.

Disco

A disco Christmas? That could work... I don't particularly like disco music, but at a time where everyone is super cheerful and not thinking properly? Why not??

Collect

Collect presents! Woohoo! I'm super looking forward to my Kingston shopping spree where I plan to collect at least five CDs. I know this sounds a bit unbelievable, but I even like collecting presents for others! Fun, fun, fun! Very easily one of the best days of the year, especially as I'll also be going to Staines to get new shoes and a milkshake. Sure have shakes often, but special shakes? They're for special occasions. (Or times of extreme boredom).

Charm

Many people say psychopaths are charming. I wouldn't want a psychopathic Christmas, I want a more traditionally charming celebration. Maybe some snow and a lovely fire, and some toasted marshmallows. A psychopath toasting your possessions or whatever would ruin the day.

Right! A fairly normal list of preferences there, I think. Maybe it would be better if I valued culture more, but as explained I do like chocolate. I guess I like some classical music a little bit. I like Bach's Prelude in C major, but only really because it sounds like Final Fantasy music. And that's it! Bye!