



SANTA'S REINDEERS United States

The popularity of Santa's reindeers within **Anglo-Saxon Christmas traditions** is relatively recent, and can be traced back to the poem ***A Visit from St. Nicholas*** by American scholar **Clement Clarke Moore (1837)**. This poem – which has been set to music by a number of artists – has deeply affected current conceptions of Santa Claus as well as the **history of Christmas gift giving**.



Click on the picture to listen to an **illustrated version of the poem** (words in the description below the video).