

***The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree* Tic-Tac-Toe Student Choice Activities**

Standards/Objectives: SS 3.05: Identify historical figures and events associated with various cultural traditions and holidays celebrated around the world.

<p>1. Complete a Venn Diagram comparing and contrasting Ruthie's Christmas and Christmas now.</p>	<p>2. Using construction paper, make finger puppets and retell the story to the class or a neighbor.</p>	<p>3. Outline the steps for choosing the perfect Christmas tree and getting it to the village.</p>
<p>4. Create a picture describing your favorite part of the story. You can draw, paint, etc.</p>	<p>5. Required: Read <i>The Year of the Perfect Christmas Tree</i> by Gloria Houston.</p>	<p>6. Find Spruce Pine on a map. Research the area and create a report about Spruce Pine, North Carolina.</p>
<p>7. Make a collage from magazines illustrating what Christmas/Winter holidays mean to you.</p>	<p>8. Pretend you are Ruthie. Write a letter to her father, away at war, and tell him about the tree and how much you miss him.</p>	<p>9. North Carolina is one of the top producers of Christmas trees. Find out how many times North Carolina has provided the Christmas Tree for the White House in Washington, DC.</p>

I/we chose activities # _____, # _____, and # _____.

Name _____ Due dates _____, _____, _____