Why say “Happy Holidays”? Because between November 1st and January 15th, common calendar, the world’s major religions observe at least 29 different holidays, among other cultural festivals and events. Christmas (12/25) is a big one, among many.

- **Epiphany** (Christianity) 1/6
- **Hannukah** (Judaism) 12/13-20
- **Bodhi Day** (Buddhism) 12/8
- **Pancha Ganapati** (modern Hindu) 12/21-25
- **Mawlid an Nabi** (Islam) 12/1
- **Birth of Baha’u’llah** (Baha’i) 11/12
- **Kwanzaa** (US & West African diaspora) 12/26-1/1
- **Solstice / Yule** (Wiccan/Pagan, northern hemisphere) 12/21
- **Zarathosht Diso** (Zoroastrianism) 12/26
- **Las Posadas** (Mexican & Mexican American) 12/16-24

Especially if you don’t know whether/what someone celebrates, “Happy Holidays” is more accurate, inclusive, and simple.