

A SLOW HOLIDAY TOAST

Before you begin, ask everyone to fill a glass. Let them know that you will read a series of short sentences and then invite them to take a collective, deep breath after each one. After the last deep breath, everyone will raise a glass together.

To the people who have loved us,
May we reciprocate and share their love.

[Deep Breath]

To the families who raised us and the families we've chosen,
May we continue their generosity.

[Deep Breath]

To the original stewards of the land we stand upon,
May we honor their stories and wisdom.

[Deep Breath]

To those who aren't able to share this moment with us,
May they have peace, and may their memory inspire us.

[Deep Breath]

To the teachers who've taught us,
May we heed their advice.

[Deep Breath]

To the experiences that have shaped us,
May we remember their lessons.

[Deep Breath]

To the parts of ourselves that crave connection,
May we feel satisfied.

[Deep Breath]

And to the days and moments ahead,
May our gratitude ever increase.

[Deep Breath]

Then raise & clink your glasses — add a cheer, a hug, or anything else that feels right in the moment.

