Christmas Activity Book

Colour the numbered bauble as you complete the activity. Colour the tree when you have completed them all.





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Christmas Word Search

Can you find all 24 Christmas words hidden in the puzzle? All words go left to right, from top to bottom and diagonally. Some words overlap.

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BAUBLE	FAMILY	ORNAMENTS	SNOWMAN
CAROLS	GIFT	PRESENT	STAR
CHRISTMAS	GIVING	REINDEER	TINSEL
DECORATION	НАРРҮ	RUDOLPH	TRADITIONS
ELF	HOLIDAY	SANTA	TREE
EVE	LIGHTS	SLEIGH	

9 square Christmas Puzzle



How to prepare your 9 square Christmas puzzle. Cut along the lines to separate the 9 puzzle pieces. Discard the parts extending outside the large square. Shuffle the pieces. Try to reform the puzzle so that parts of the Christmas characters match up correctly. Store your puzzle pieces in a snap lock bag or envelope to use again later.



Write a word or phrase that begins with each letter of the word 'Christmas' to make your own Christmas acrostic poem.

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Christmas character cut-outs

Cut out around each of the Christmas characters. Laminate them for durability if you wish.

Suggestions for using the cut-outs:

1. Puppets

Attach each character to a pop stick or chopstick. Use them to make up a story or play.

2. Writing

Write a story, poem or information about one or more characters.

3. Message or gift tags

Write a special message on the back of each cut-out and gift to family or friends.

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4. Christmas cards

Fold a sheet of A4 paper or light card in half to make a Christmas card. Paste a cut-out on the front and write your message on the inside.

5. Decorations

Hang the cut-outs on the Christmas tree.

Secret Santa Logic Puzzle — Gifts for Boys

Instructions

Read the story and the clues.

Use the table on the *Clues* page to identify which gifts the girls gave, to whom, and how they were wrapped.

As you read each clue, mark the boxes to show what you have found out. Use ticks to show a correct match, and crosses for an incorrect response.

Hint: When you find a correct match, you know both other answers in that same column and row are incorrect. Remember to mark them too. It will help you find all the correct answers.

The story

One day when it was nearly Christmas, the children were playing at Jack's house.

Jack suggested they play a pretend *Secret Santa* game with toys on his shelf. His friends agreed it would be fun.

They wrote their names on pieces of paper and put them into a hat. Then everyone pulled out a name. The girls pulled out the boys' names. They took toys off the shelf and wrapped them in pretty Christmas paper.



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Secret Santa Logic Puzzle — Gifts for Boys Clues

- 1. Bella gave the robot, but it was not wrapped in the green paper.
- 2. Chelsey gave her gift to the boy in the blue cap.
- 3. The boy with the green shoes received his gift from Paige, but it was not wrapped in dots.
- 4. Paige gave the jigsaw puzzle, but it was not wrapped in gold baubles.
- 5. Kye loved his gift that was wrapped up in dots.

Liam Kye	Jack	Paige	Chelsev	Bella
Names	Liam			
	Куе			
	Jack			
Gift	Truck			
	Robot			
	Jigsaw puzzle			
Paper	Dots			
	Green			
	Gold baubles			
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Paige gave a	to	It was wrapped
in	•	
Chelsey gave a wrapped in	to	It was
Bella gave a	to	 It was wrapped in
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Christmas memory game

Cut along the lines to separate the cards on these two pages. Shuffle them. Place them face down on the table. Players take it in turns to turn over two cards. If the cards match, the player keeps the cards and has another turn. If the cards do not match, they are turned face down again and the next player has a turn. Continue until all pairs have been won. [Hint: Paste the cards onto light cardboard so the images can not be seen through the paper.]



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Christmas Cake and Crumbs



How many little words (crumbs) can you make using the letters of a longer word (cake)?

You may use each letter only once for each time it appears in the cake.

For example: if the cake is 'Decoration', the letter 'o' is the only one that can be used twice in the same crumb.



These are some crumbs you can make:

cat	rat	cod	nod	cord	on	in
rate	date	ride	tide	tend	cinder	no
How many o	thers can you	find?				

Now see how many crumbs you can make using the letters of this cake word. There are more than 20.

If you like, challenge your friend and set a time limit for finding the crumbs.



Other words (cakes) you could try: CELEBRATION, TRADITION, HOLIDAYS, REINDEER

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Paste a photo or drawing of yourself into this box to make a nice calendar to gift to a loved one for Christmas.

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Christmas Boxes



How many Christmas boxes can you fill? Each player needs a different coloured pencil or pen to play. The first player draws a line between two dots which are next to each other horizontally or vertically, but not diagonal.

The next player does the same and play continues around the circle.

If a player draws the last line to enclose a box, they claim it by colouring it. They may then draw another line. Their turn continues until they can't complete another box.

The object is to try to claim as many boxes as you can for yourself while stopping other player(s) from claiming boxes.





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Christmas domino cards - preparation

Cut along the dotted lines to separate the cards.

If you wish, laminate them for durability.

Store them in a snap-lock bag or envelope.

How to play dominoes

Basic game for two players.

- 1. Shuffle the dominoes and deal seven to each player. Place the rest face down in a deck.
- 2. Players hold the cards in their hand so others can't see them.
- 3. The first player chooses a domino to start forming the domino chain and places it face up between them.
- 4. Players take turns to add to either end of the domino chain, matching the same numbers end to end.
- 5. If a valid domino cannot be played, the player continues to pick cards from the deck until one that can be played is picked. All cards taken from the deck are added to the player's hand, except the one played.
- 6. The game ends when a player wins by placing all their cards on the chain, or when no one can place a valid card.



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4 The colour of Santa's suit.

7 These are put on a tree to make it look pretty.

9 People decorate their houses with lots of these at Christmas time.

10 The snowman has a carrot for a ----.

DOWN

- 1 People give these to each other at Christmas time.
- 2 She wears a red dress and ties her hair in a bun.
- 3 He delivers toys to boys and girls.
- 5 He wears a black hat and melts if it gets hot.
- 6 Sometimes she sits at the top of the Christmas tree.
- 8 He has a shiny red nose and pulls Santa's sleigh.
- 11 He wears a green suit and works hard all year.







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C P D Q
C P D Q E R
D Q E R
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Christmas Noughts and Crosses



This game is for two players.

Cut out the Rudolph and Santa playing pieces at the bottom of the page.

Players decide which character they will be.

Players take turns to place a character in a box. The winner is the first player to form a straight line, horizontally, vertically or diagonally, with three of their character pieces.





Ladders and Chimneys

You need a dice and a button or other token for each player. Take turns to roll the dice. The first to roll a six goes first.

Move your button forward the number of spaces rolled. Make sure you follow the numbers as they snake their way over and back across the board on the way to 100. If you land at the base of a ladder, you climb up.

If you land at the top of a chimney, you slide down. The first to reach 100 is the winner. You don't need to roll the exact number to win.

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81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90
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61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70
60	59	5 <mark>8</mark>	57	56	55	54	57	52	51
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	40
40	39	38	37	36	35	34	33	32	31
21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
20	19	18	17	16	15	14	13	12	11
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

Start

End

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Christmas Sudoku Puzzles

Fill the grids so that each Christmas picture is used once in each green box, in each row and in each column.

Hint: Cut out and use the pictures at the bottom of the page if you prefer to not draw.

Puzzle 1



Puzzle 2



Puzzle 4





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Write a letter to Santa

Begin your letter politely with

Dear Santa,

Write in big letters. Santa has a lot of letters to read. You don't want to make him squint.

Keep your writing neat and spell as well as you can. You want to make it easy for Santa to read your letter.



Show Santa that you care about him, not just about the presents he brings. You might ask him if he is well, or you might tell him how much you like his red suit. You might tell him that you hope his trip goes well this year.

Tell him something interesting you have done during the year.

Thank him for the gifts he brought last year.

Keep your list of requests short. Think of just one or two special things you would like.

Sign your letter in a friendly way. Make sure you write your name so Santa knows the letter is from you.

Draw a picture to decorate your letter for Santa.

Ask your Mum or Dad to check your letter before you send it, just to make sure it is all right.

Put your letter in an envelope and post it to

Santa Claus

NORTH POLE

You can write your letter on the next page if you like.

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Secret Santa Logic Puzzle — Gifts for Girls

Instructions

Read the story and the clues.

Use the table on the *Clues* page to identify which gifts the boys gave, to whom, and how they were wrapped.

As you read each clue, mark the boxes to show what you have found out. Use ticks to show a correct match, and crosses for an incorrect response.

Hint: When you find a correct match, you know both other answers in that same column and row are incorrect. Remember to mark them too. It will help you find all the correct answers.

The story

One day when it was nearly Christmas, the children were playing at Jack's house.

Jack suggested they play a pretend *Secret Santa* game with toys on his shelf. His friends agreed it would be fun.

They wrote their names on pieces of paper and put them into a hat. Then everyone pulled out a name. The boys pulled out girls' names. They took toys off the shelf and wrapped them in pretty Christmas paper.



Do you know what gift each girl received, from whom, and what paper it was wrapped in? Can you work it out?

Secret Santa Logic Puzzle — Gifts for Girls Clues

- 1. Liam gave the teddy bear, but it was not wrapped in Trees.
- 2. Kye gave his gift to the girl with yellow shoes.
- 3. The girl with the hat received her gift from Jack, but it was not wrapped in stars.
- 4. Jack gave the big coloured ball, but it was not wrapped in stripes.
- 5. Paige loved her gift that was wrapped in stars.

Paige Chel	sey Bella	Liam	Kye	Jack
Names	Paige			
	Chelsey			
	Bella			
Gift	Teddy bear			
	Ball			
	Book			
Paper	Stars			
	Trees			
	Stripes			
Write your a	inswers here:	,		
Liam gave a		_ to	It w	as wrapped i
Kye gave a		 _to	It wa	is wrapped in
lack gave a _		 _ to	It w	as wrapped ir
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Collect 100 gifts to fill Santa's sack

Play this game on your own or with a partner. You need: 1 dice

Coloured pencils

How to play:

Take turns to roll the dice.

On each roll, colour the same number of gifts as the number rolled on the dice. Use the same colour for all the gifts in one roll. Change colour for the next roll. Start colouring from the bottom of the sack, just as you would if you were filling it. Continue to colour the gifts on each turn until you reach 100.

I wonder what is the smallest

number of rolls possible. I wonder what is the largest

number of rolls possible.

Do you know?

Count the number of times you rolled the dice to reach 100!

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Crack the Christmas Code

It's easy to write a secret message in code for your friends to read. Let's try it with these messages in which each letter of the alphabet is represented by a number from 1 to 26, with A being 1 and Z, 26.



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Now try writing your own code here.

Can your friend crack the code to read your message?

Draw a Reindeer Game

You need:

a dice coloured pencils a piece of paper some friends to play with

How to play:

- Take turns to roll the dice. 1.
- 2. On your turn, draw a body part that gc number you roll. If you have already drawn the correct number of parts, you miss your turn.
- 3. The first person to draw their entire reindeer is the winner.

Note:

You need a 3 to start.

You must draw the body first!

You need a head before you can add the eyes, nose, and antlers. Only one part can be drawn on each throw.

- 1. Leg (You need to throw 1 four times to draw all the legs.)
- 2. 3. Head
- Body
- 4. Eyes and nose (You need to throw 4 three times to draw both the eyes and the nose.)
- 5. Ears and antlers (You need to throw 5 four times to draw both ears and both antlers.)

Tail 6.

Write a poem about Christmas sounds



Read this poem. I heard As I lay in my bed The tinkling of bells The clattering of hooves The padding of footsteps I felt breathless!

Look at its structure.

The poem has a simple structure relating a place, the sounds heard and a feeling. It is easy to use the structure to write your own poem.

Line 1: I heard

Line 2:	As I (e.g. lay in my bed, sat on the beach, looked at the sky)
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Lines 3-5: The sound (an 'ing' word) of a sound maker

(e.g. the crunching of gravel, the crinkling of paper, the scraping of boots) A different sound on each line.

Line 6: I felt (a feeling)

Use the structure to write your own poem.

I heard

As I _	
The _	
The _	
The _	
l felt	

Illustrate your poem.