

Little Books

For

December



Using the little books:

Each little book has one, two or three of these options:

- print and black and white illustrations

This option is best if the book is being read by the class or a group, with a copy for each child. The picture tells the child what the words are likely to be, so early readers can be successful. The pictures may be coloured later.

- print with no illustrations

The children can draw their own illustrations, once they have been taught the words and can read the little book - or each page can be taught and then the illustration drawn.

- print with coloured illustrations.

To print a class set of little books in colour is likely too expensive, but the teacher can teach from a coloured copy. The coloured copy could be tacked on a bulletin board for 'read the room' activities, or put in the class library for later reading.

Making the little books.....

The pages in the little books in PDF have been turned so that they should photocopy correctly.

To photocopy from one-sided copies, the pages should stand the 'tall' portrait way. On the top of the pile, page 1 and 8 should face right, under it page 2 and 7 should face left, page 3 and 6 should face right and page 4 and 5 at the bottom of the pile should face left. Fold in half, of course.

To staple, use a 'long neck' stapler and put two staples on the fold.

Ideas for Teaching the Little Books

1. Christmas Alphabet Chant

What is a chant? A chant is said to a rhythm. Read this chant to "long, long, short/short/short", - 2 long beats and 3 short ones - if this makes sense!

Print this on a chart and read through several times with the rhythm, touching under the alphabet letters and the words. Find words that the students know and highlight them. Read the poem in unison. Read a verse and have students come up and touch under the words and find specific words.

Talk about rhymes, and find the rhyming letter and word.

If you have a Smartboard, use the coloured copy to read the little book or use your coloured copy. Give out the black and white student copies of the little book, and read it through together. Put the students in pairs and have each child read it through.

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2. Santa's Reindeer ABC

This is another alphabet chant, this time with seven strong equal beats.

The words are a bit silly, and you might have the students act it out with hands above their heads and fingers spread for antlers.

Follow the procedures for the Christmas Alphabet Chant.



3. Christmas Presents

Print this on a chart and read through several times, touching under the words. Find words that the students know and highlight them. Read the poem in unison. Read a verse and have students come up and touch under the words and find specific words.

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Teach the actions!

See all the presents By the Christmas tree. (Hands in sweeping motion.)
Some for you (Point to others.) And some for me. (Point to self.)
Long ones, (Hands spread wide apart.) Tall ones, (Measure from the floor.)
Short ones, too. (Hands close together.)
And here is a round one (Make circle with arms.) Wrapped in blue.
Isn't it fun to look and see All the presents by the Christmas tree? (Nod.)

Have one student read the poem while the others follow in unison doing the actions.

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4. Christmas Counting

This little book helps to teach the numeral words. Talk about the words to nine first.

Put up the coloured copy and read the book through. Count the nine objects. They have been placed in several different groupings - you could make equations for them.

As the verses are repeated except for the object and the last line, the students should find this quite easy to read.

There is one different version - with blanks where the children can print a Christmas word of their own and then add the last sentence.

5. I Like To See Christmas

This is a very simple little book - good for your children with reading difficulties - or Kindergarten students.

Make a chart titled **At Christmas**, with "I like to see _____", and have the children fill in the blanks with words of their choosing. You can also make a chart of Christmas words that the students will use in their writing.

Bring out your coloured copy of the little book, and read it through. Discuss the known words in the little book.

The children can each get a copy of the little book and/or a copy of the one with no illustrations where they can fill in the blanks with words of their choosing and then make illustrations.

6. Rudolph

Teach the song, "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer".

Print the poem on a chart and read it through several times. Talk about the nose.....why might it be red? Do you think that is a good idea? (I have always thought that Rudolph's nose should have been yellow - a much better illuminating light than red!)

Find words that are known and highlight them, and look for the colour words. How many times can they find 'Rudolph' and 'Santa'?

They will enjoy the coloured little book, especially if you have a Smartboard - or perhaps you can print the pages larger.

When it has been read through until it is memorized, give out the little books. The students can read the book in groups, and colour the pictures.



7. Santa

This is a second spelling book, but the two books have different poems. This one is a song, sung to 'B I N G O'.

Again, print the poem on a chart. Only the first lines are different, so it is easy to read. Find the repeating parts, and learn the words in the first lines. Read the song and sing it, following the words on the chart.

Show the coloured book and read and sing through it.

Give the students a copy of the little book, and as the song is sung, have them follow the words on each page with a finger. Watch to see if everyone can do it, and help any child who has difficulty.

8. Little Elf, Little Elf

Here is the compulsory five senses Christmas book! Teach it as the previous stories.

It is fun to make a good chart (that you can use for years). It can be done on one chart or the five separate pages for your bulletin board.

For the lights on the Christmas tree, put a small string of LED (cool) lights on a coloured drawing of a Christmas tree.

For the sleigh bells ringing, do a picture of a reindeer with a collar. Buy a package of little round bells at the dollar store and attach them.

For Santa's beard, draw Santa's head and glue cotton batting to the beard, mustache, eyebrows and hat band.

For something in the oven, draw one or more gingerbread men, paint a light layer of glue and sprinkle with cinnamon - or perhaps you can find cinnamon spray.

For what do you eat (taste) - put enough candy canes for your class. A treat for the last day!



9. S-A-N-T-A

This is an easy book, suitable for your lower readers. Print it on a chart, and read it through several times, touching the words as you read.

Find words that the students know and highlight them. Discuss the word 'sleet'.

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Christmas Alphabet Chant



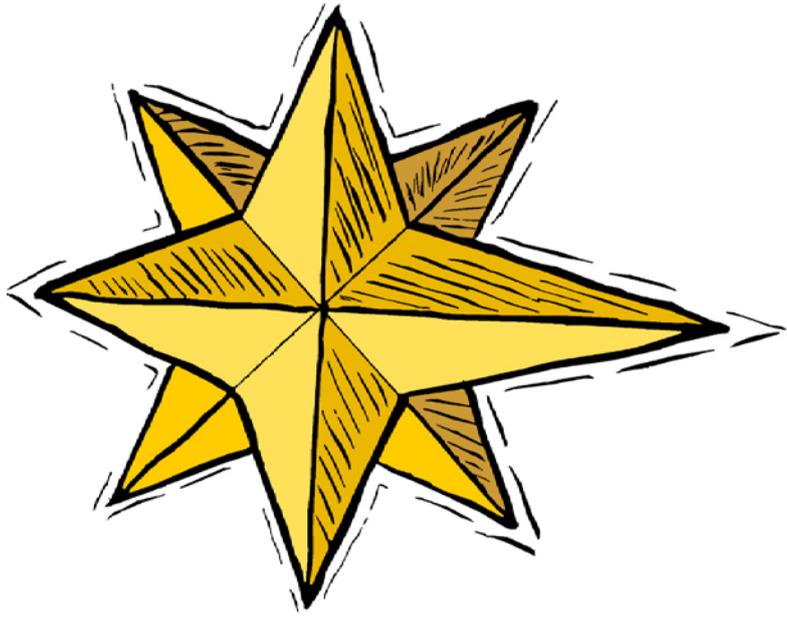
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Here we are 'round
our Christmas tree.



Z-Z-Z-Z-Z

We're too excited to
ever go to bed!



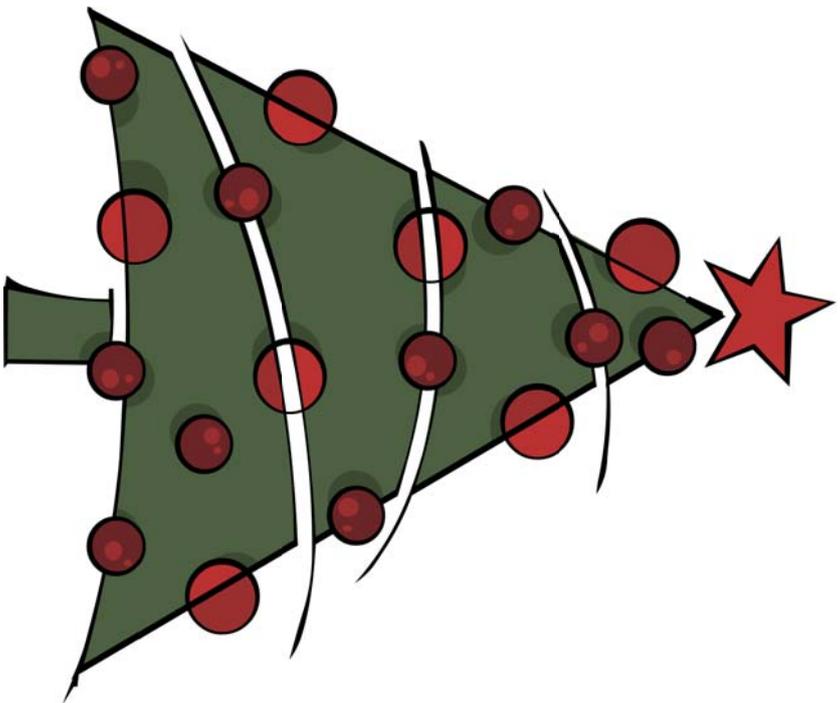
U-V-W-X-Y

A beautiful star is in
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F-G-H-I-J

Christmas is our
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K-L-M-N-O

All the lights are
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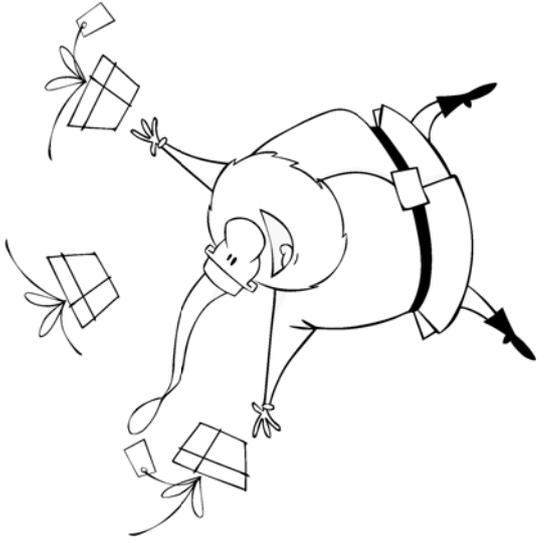
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P-Q-R-S-T

The world looks
wonderful, we all agree.

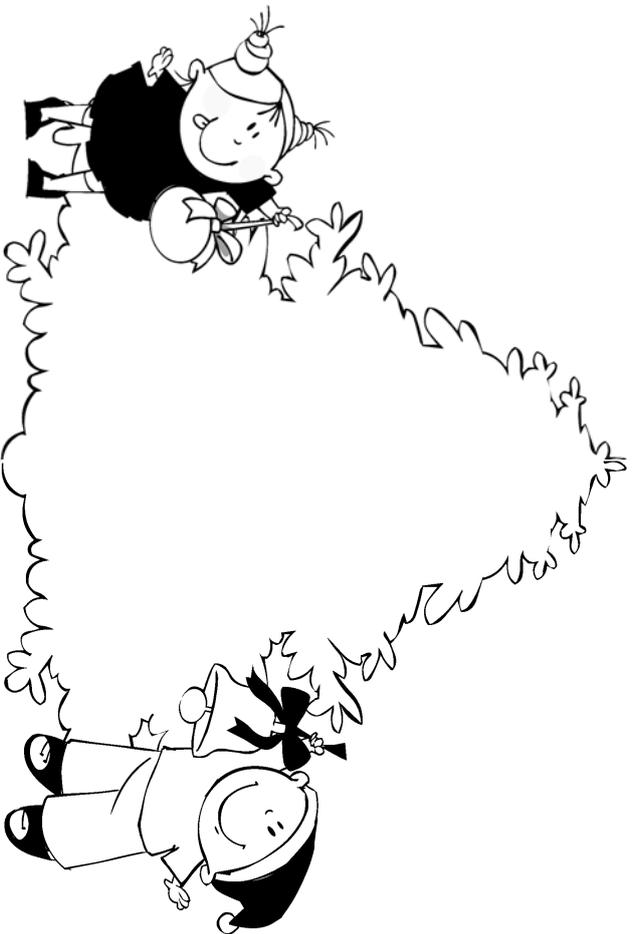
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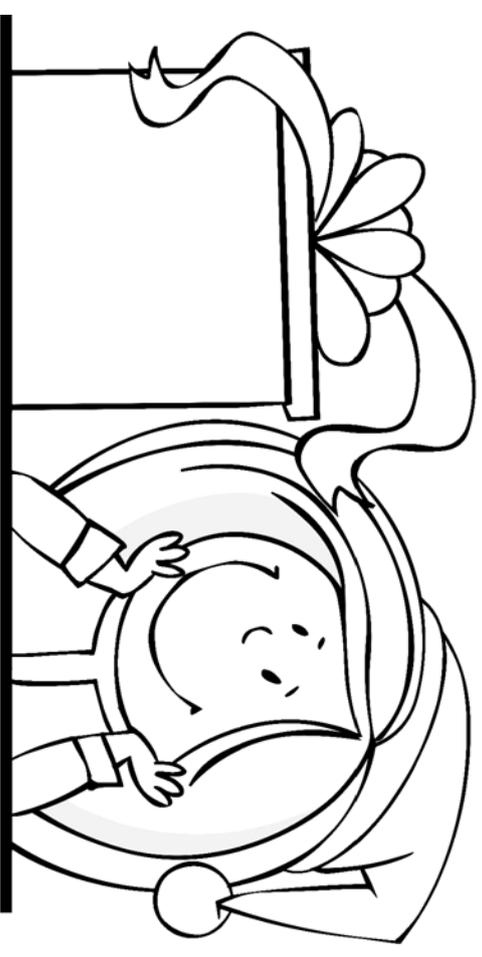
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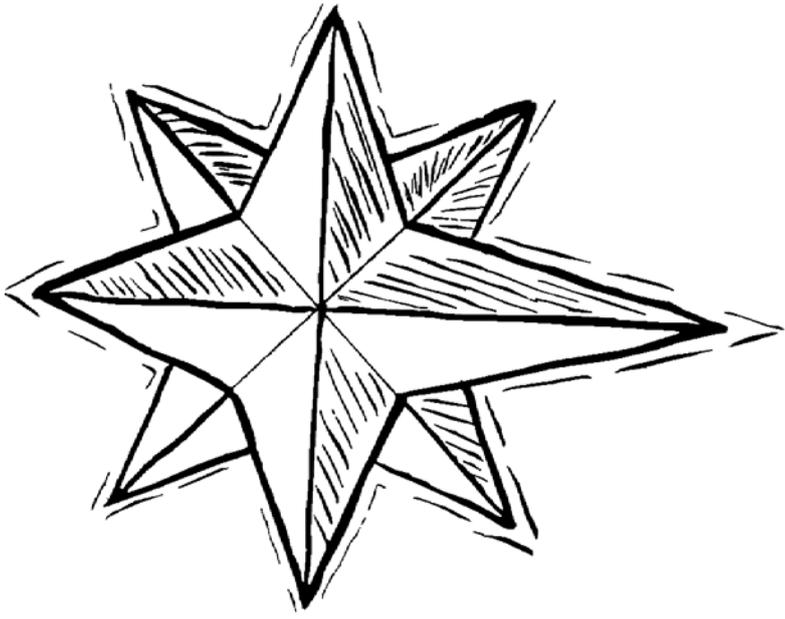
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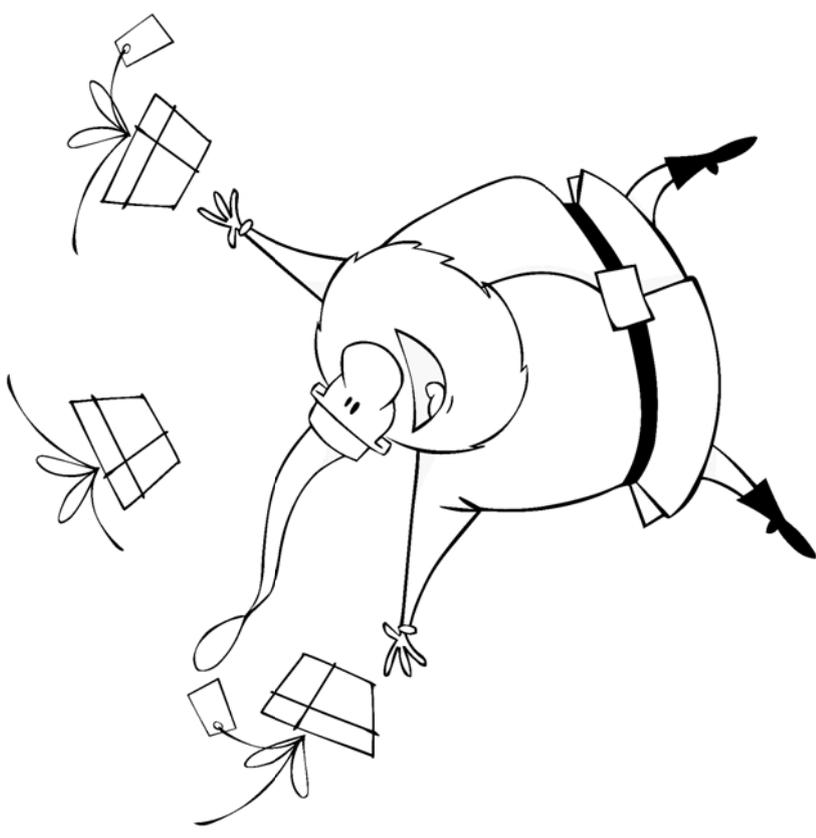
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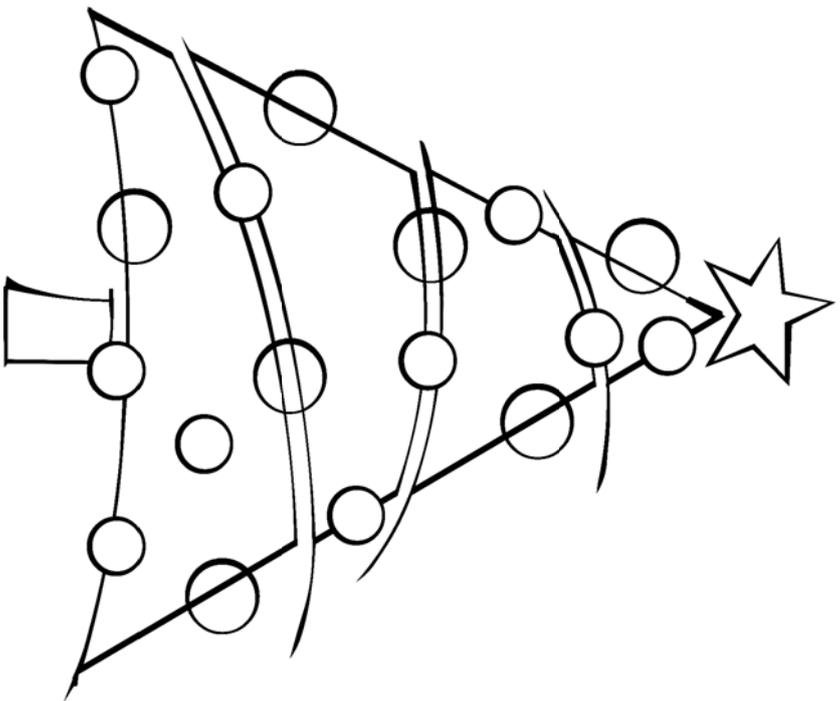
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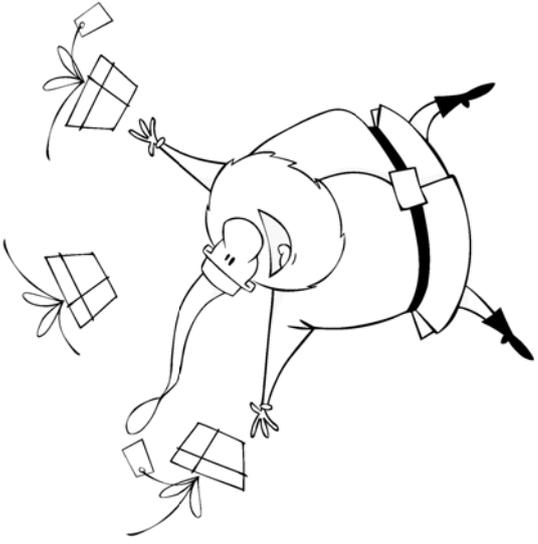
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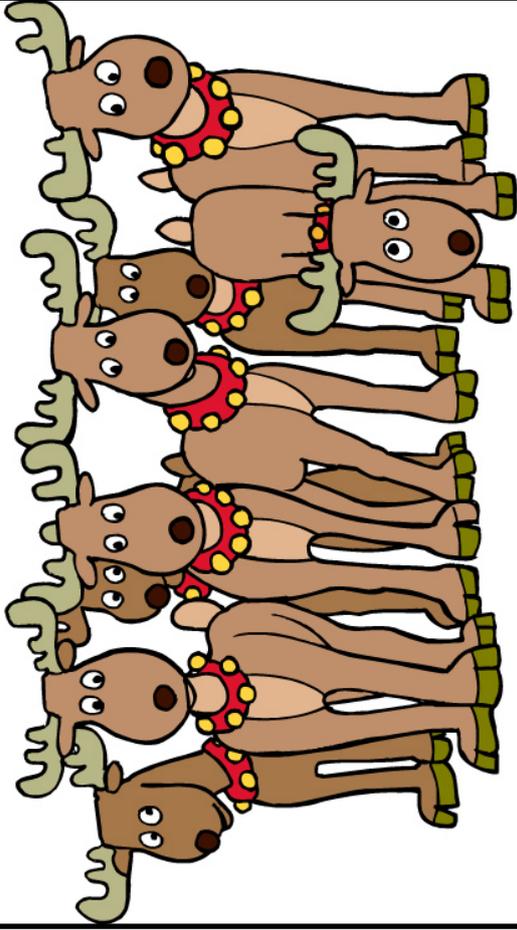
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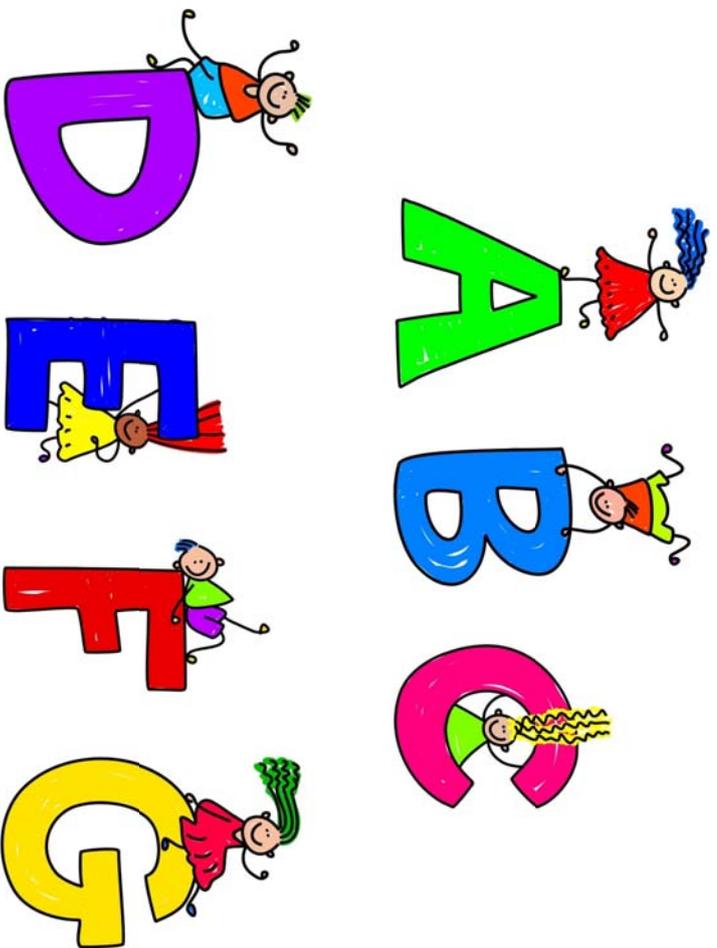
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Santa's Reindeer ABC Book

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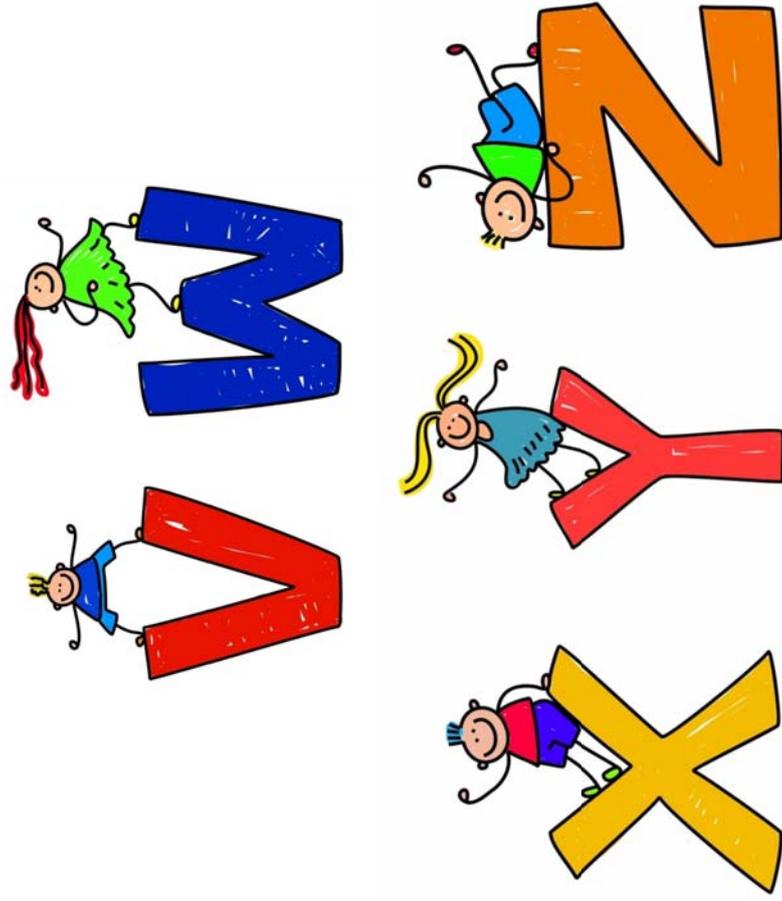
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A B C D E F G



Santa's reindeer should
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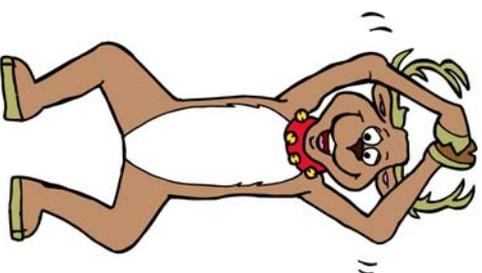
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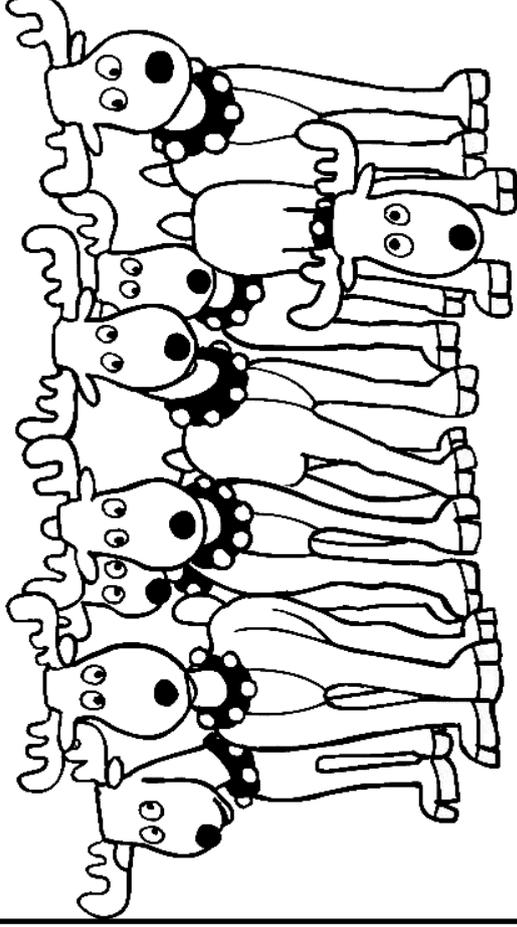


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Haven't they

something else to do?

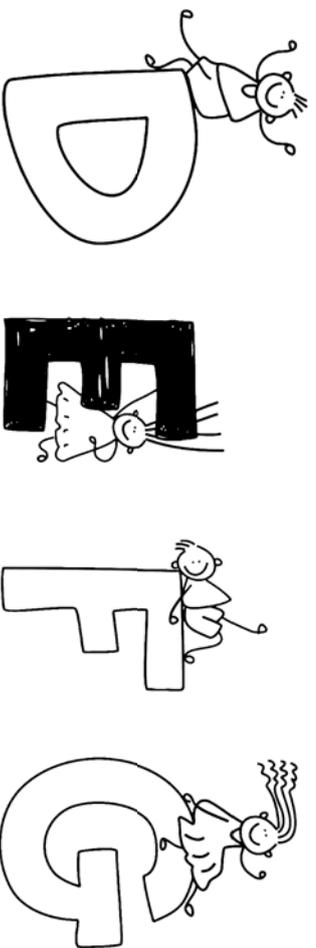
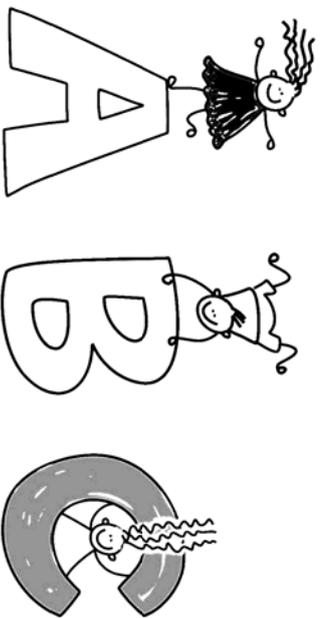




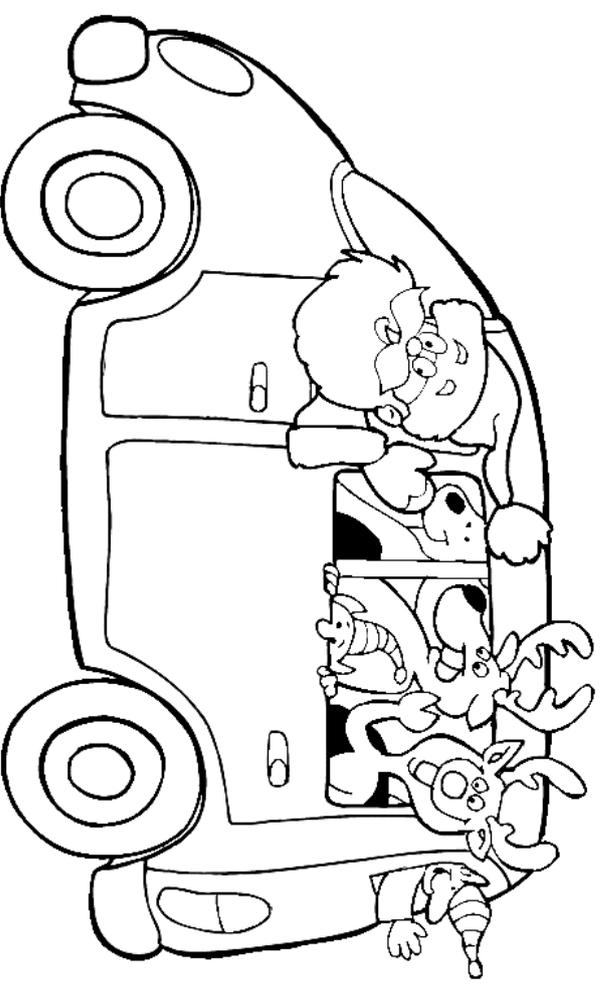
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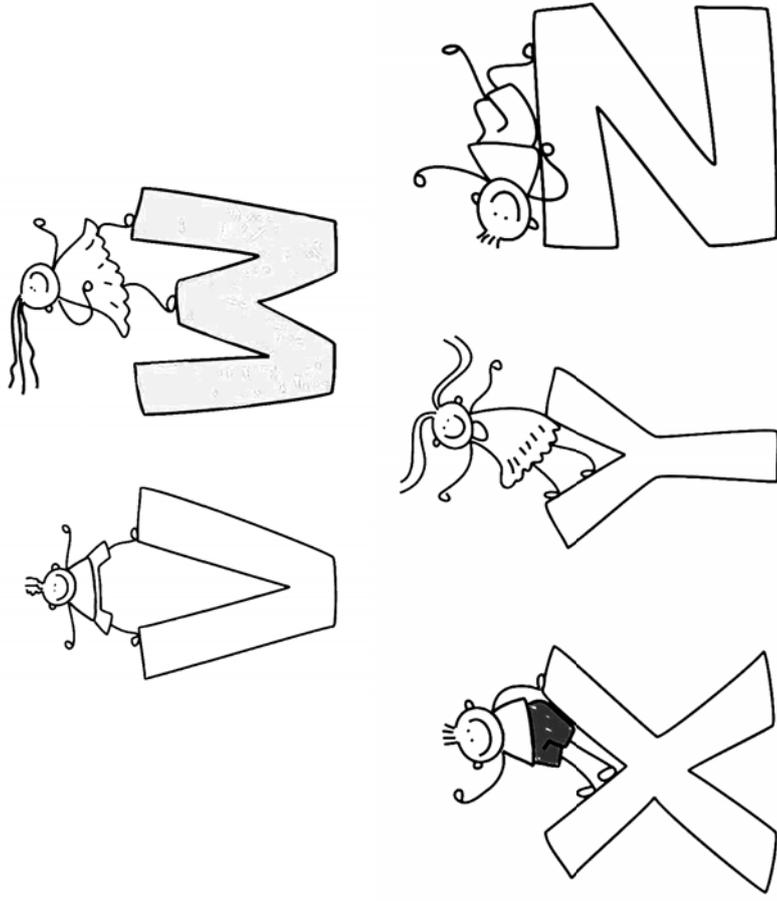
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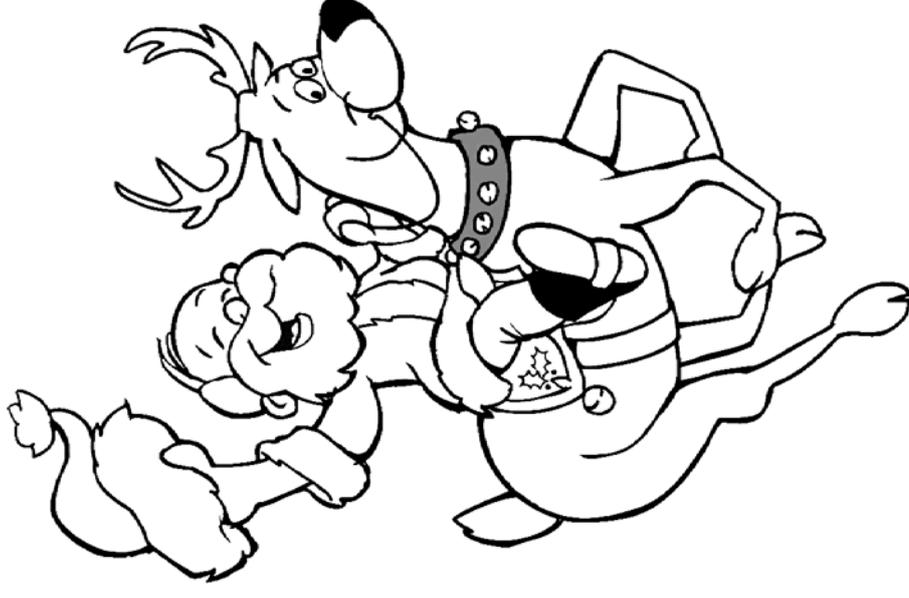
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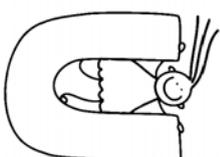
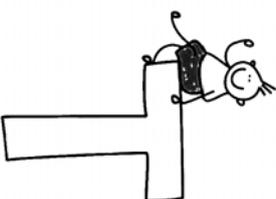
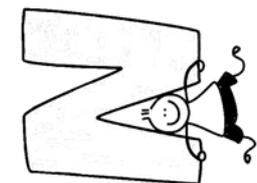
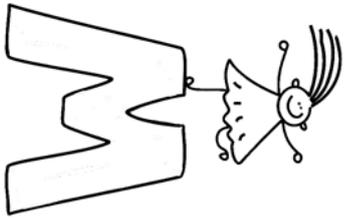
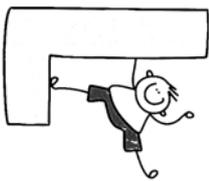
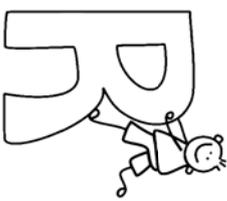
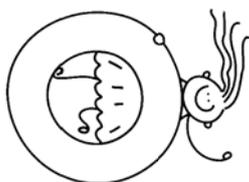
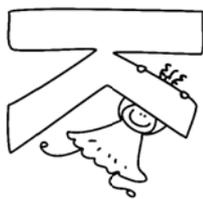
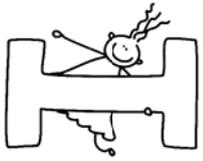
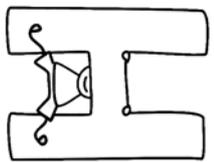
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V W X and Y and Z



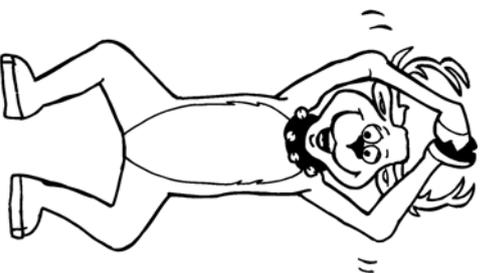
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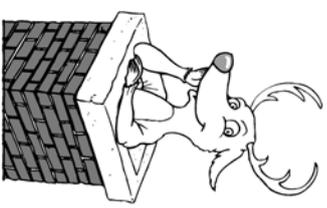
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O P Q R S T U

Haven't they

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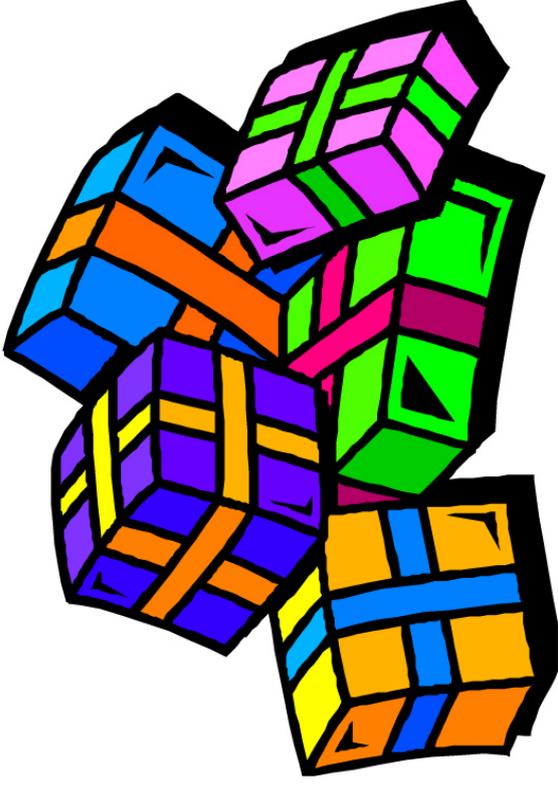
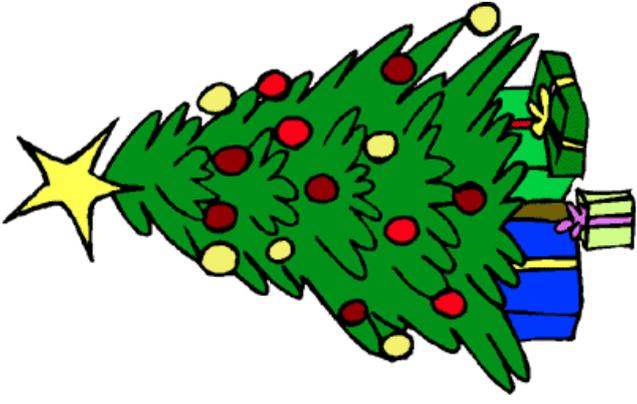
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Christmas Presents

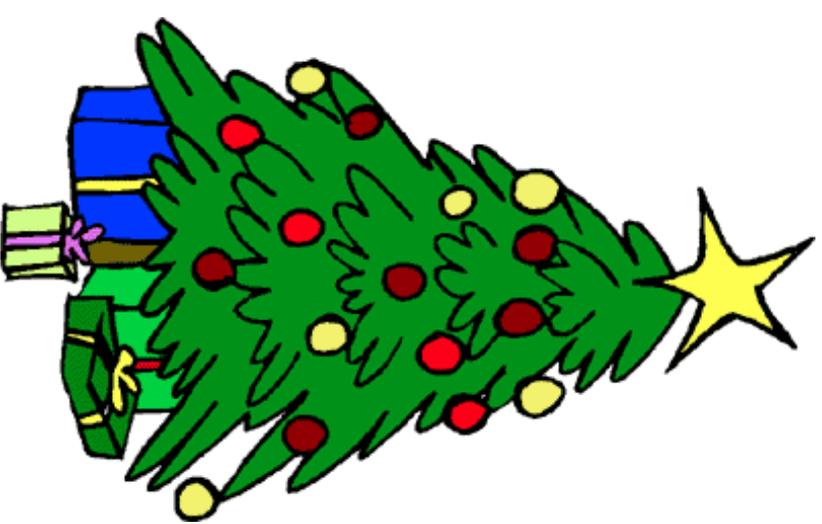
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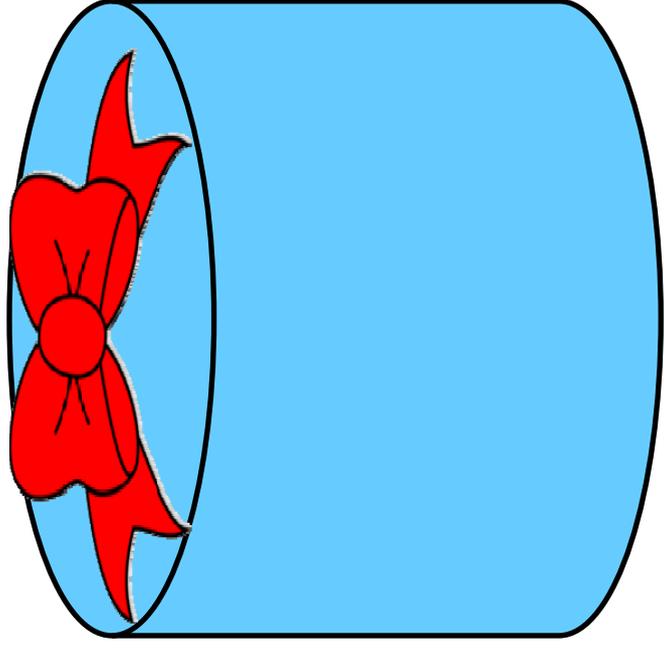
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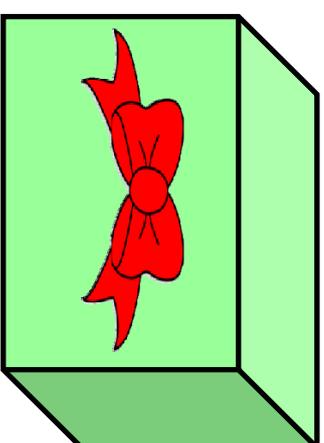
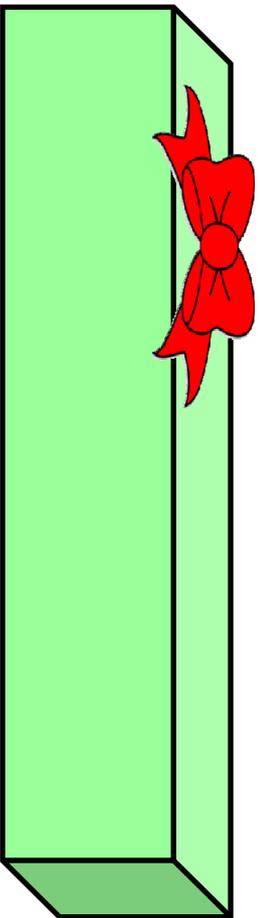
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Wrapped in blue.



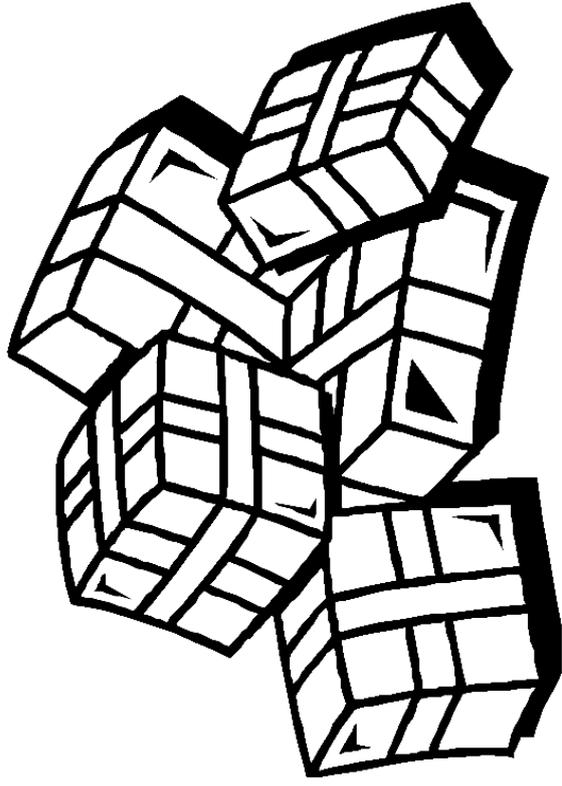
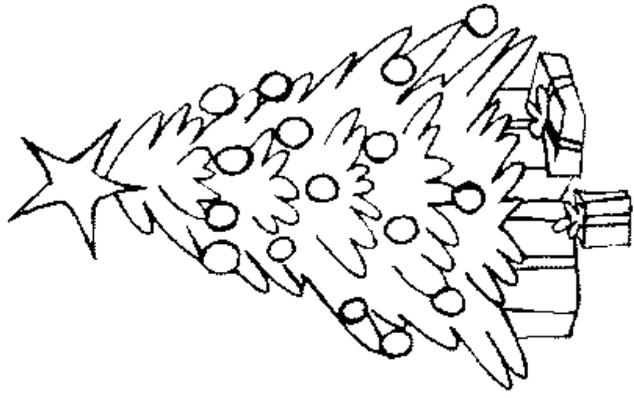
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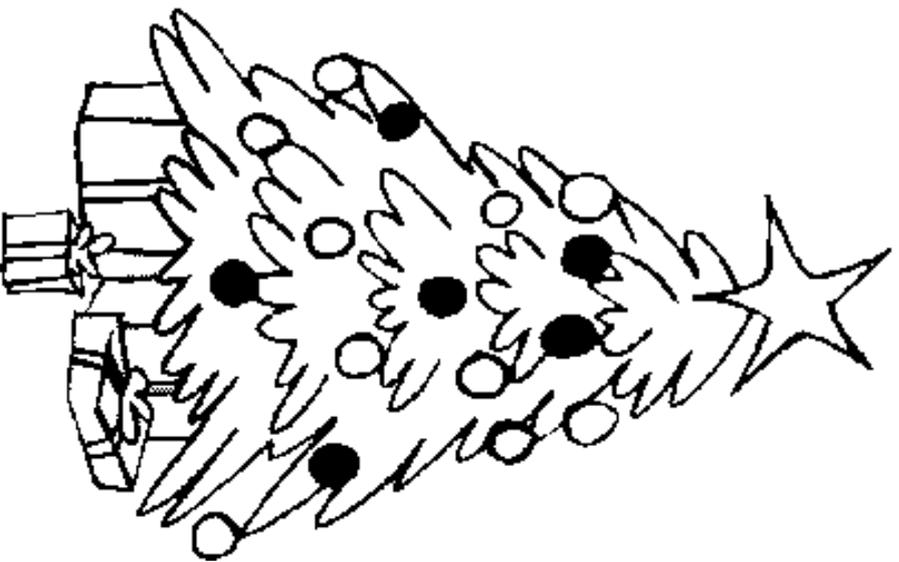
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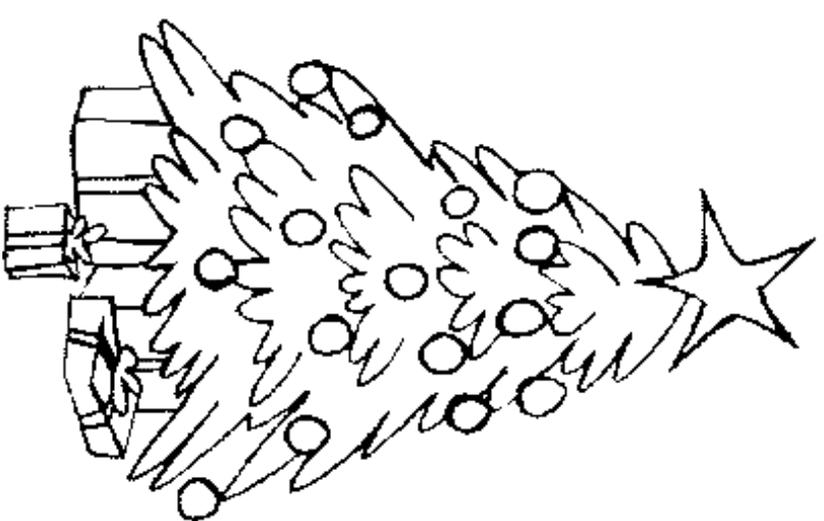
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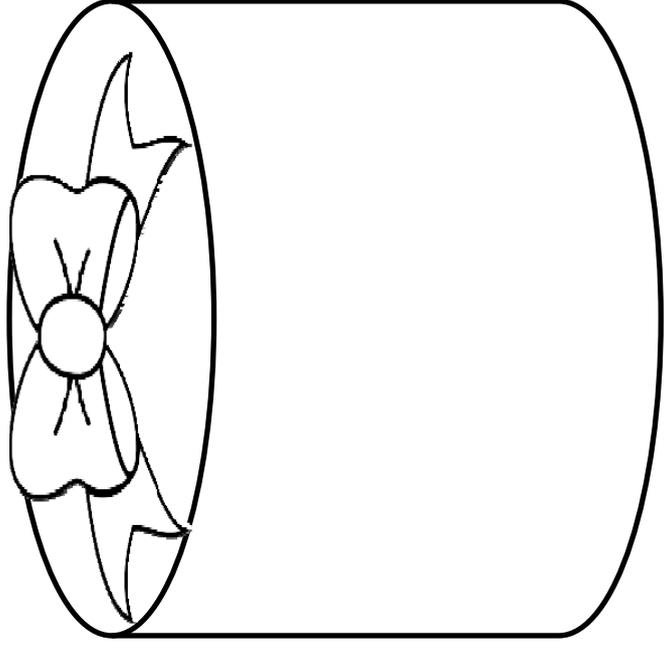
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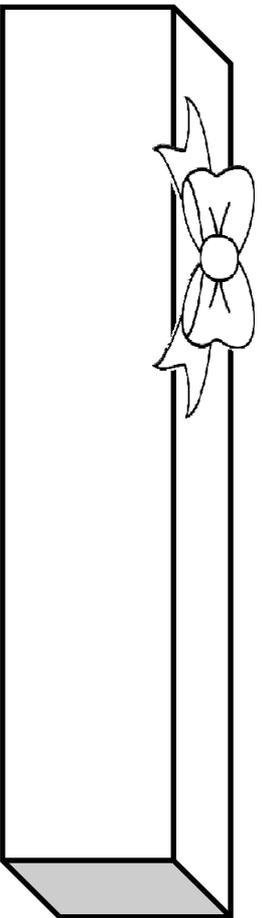
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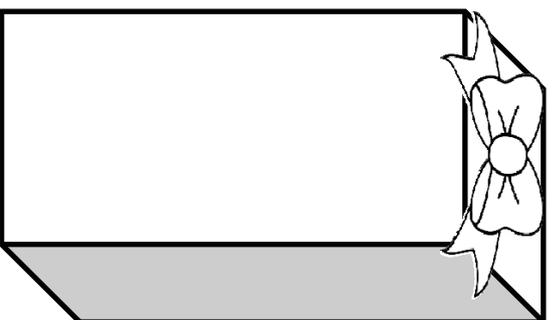


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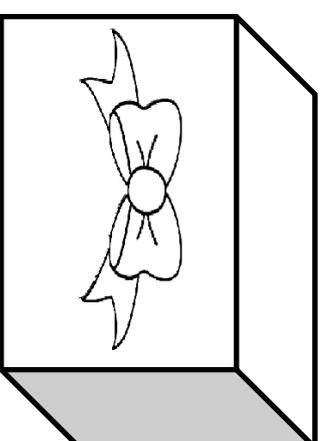


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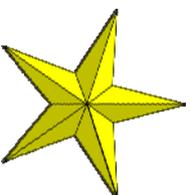
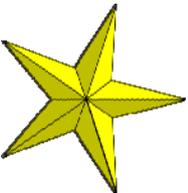
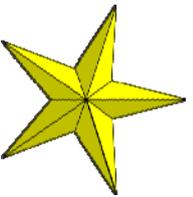
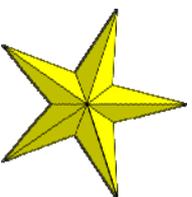
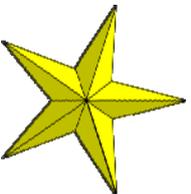
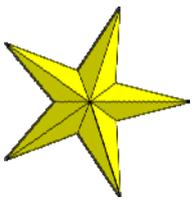
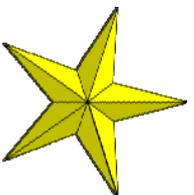
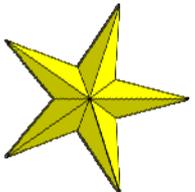
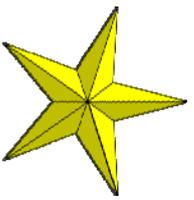
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Christmas Counting

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One little, two little,

Three little stars

Four little, five little,

Six little stars,

Seven little, eight little,

Nine little stars,

Twinkling in the sky.



One little, two little,

Three little elves

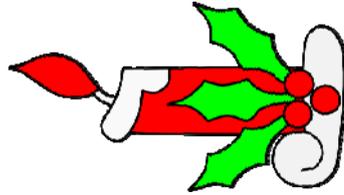
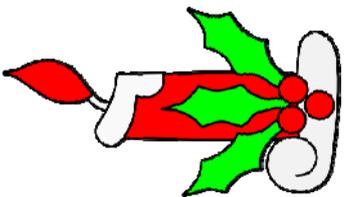
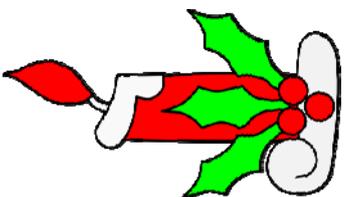
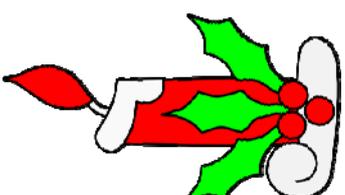
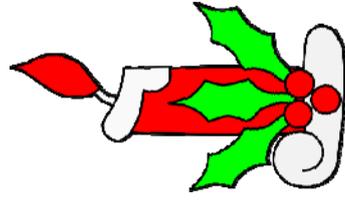
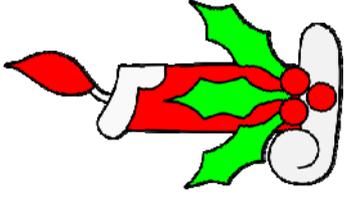
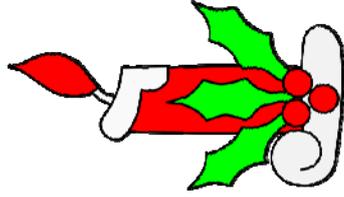
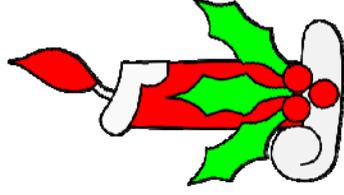
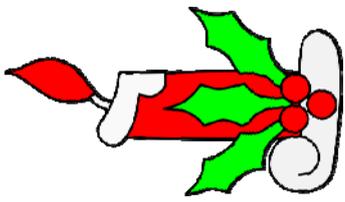
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Seven little, eight little,

Nine little elves

Making lots of toys.



One little, two little,

Three little candles

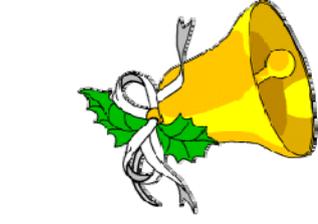
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Shining in the night.



One little, two little,

Three little bells

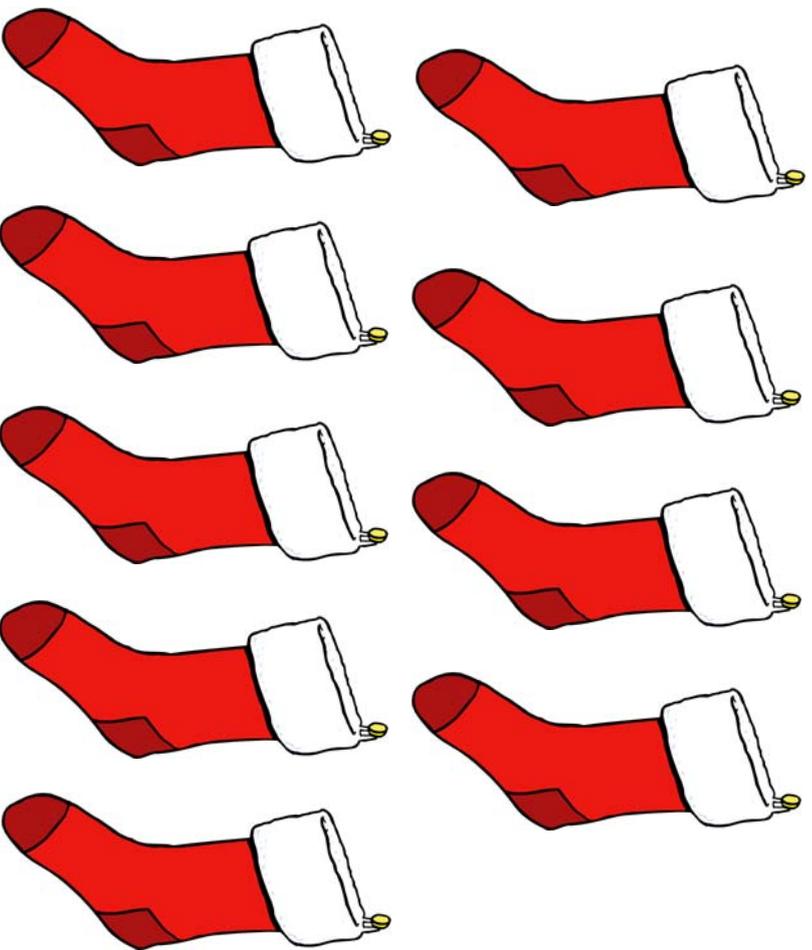
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Ringing in the night.



One little, two little,

Three little stockings

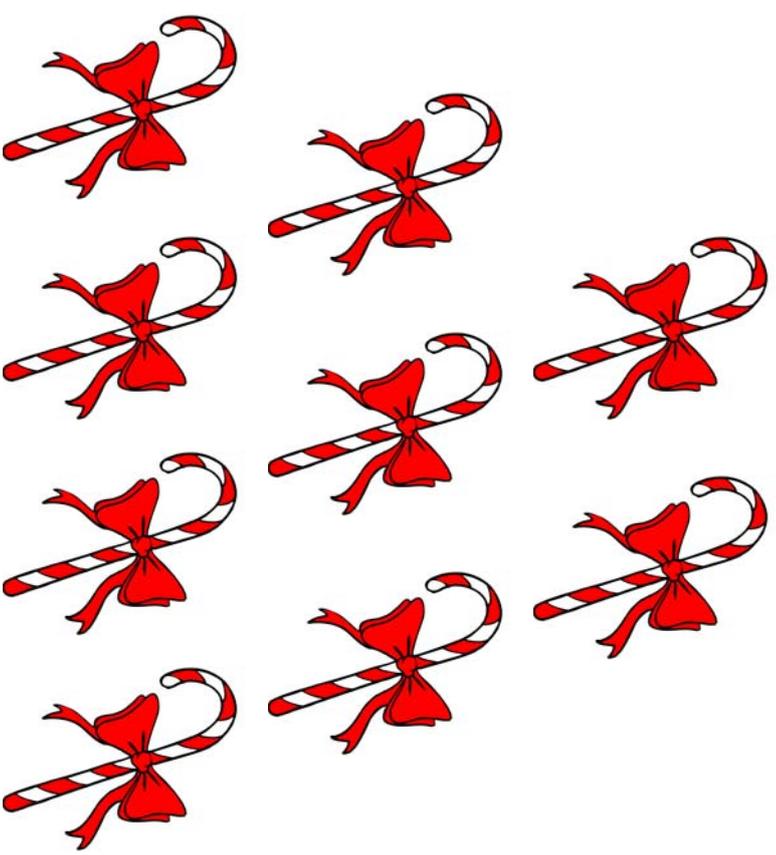
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Hanging in a row.



One little, two little,

Three little candy canes

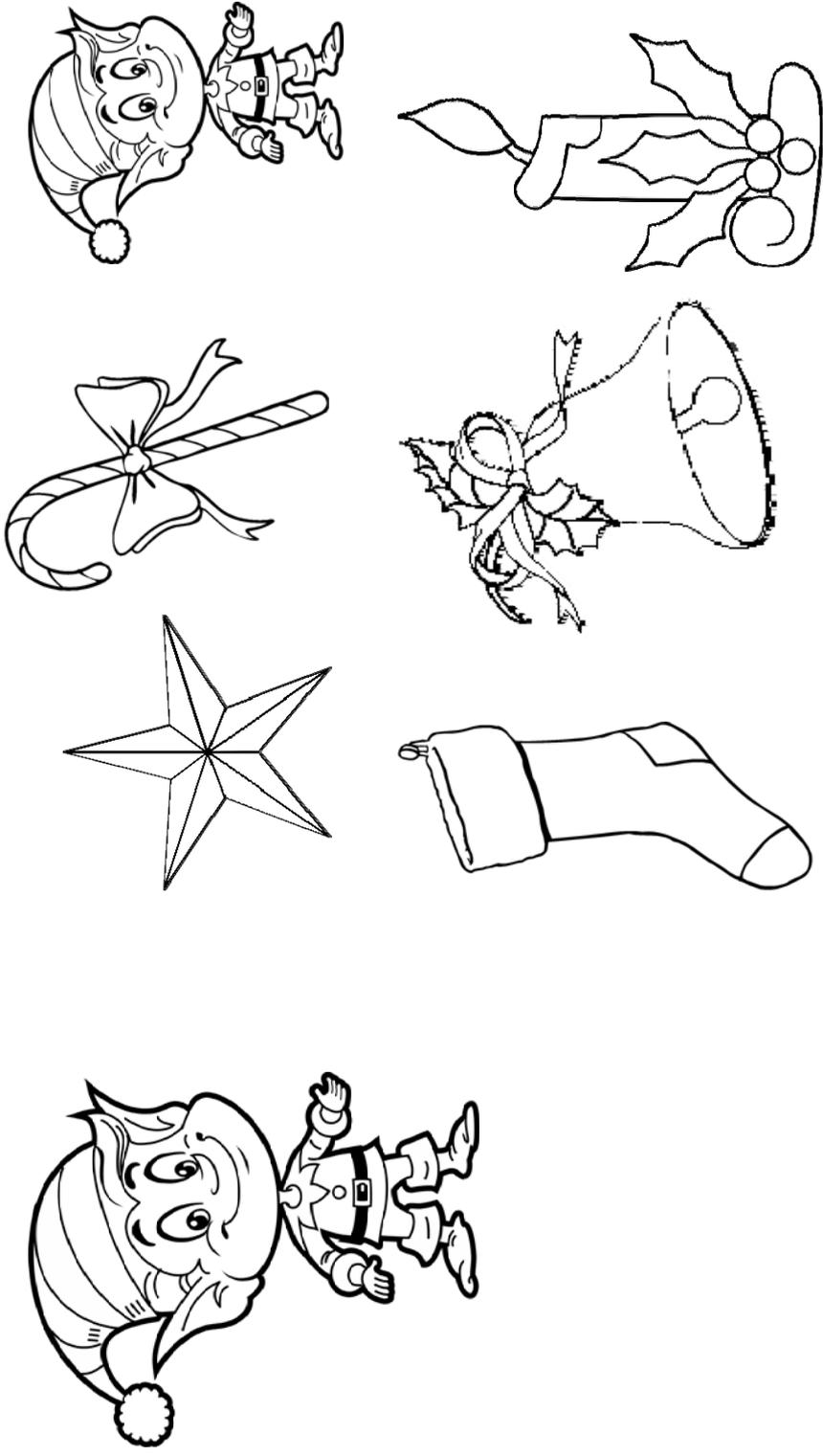
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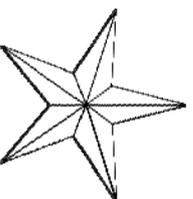
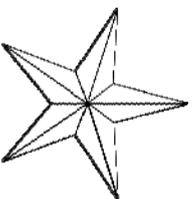
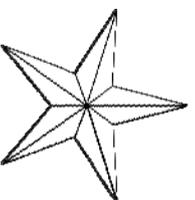
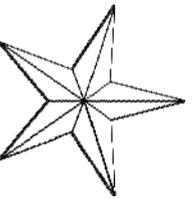
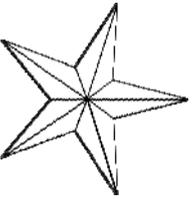
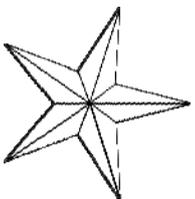
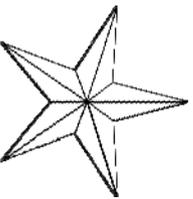
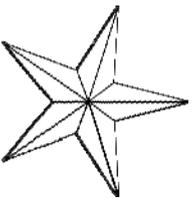
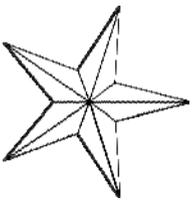
On the Christmas tree.



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One little, two little,

Three little stars

Four little, five little,

Six little stars,

Seven little, eight little,

Nine little stars,

Twinkling in the sky.



One little, two little,

Three little elves

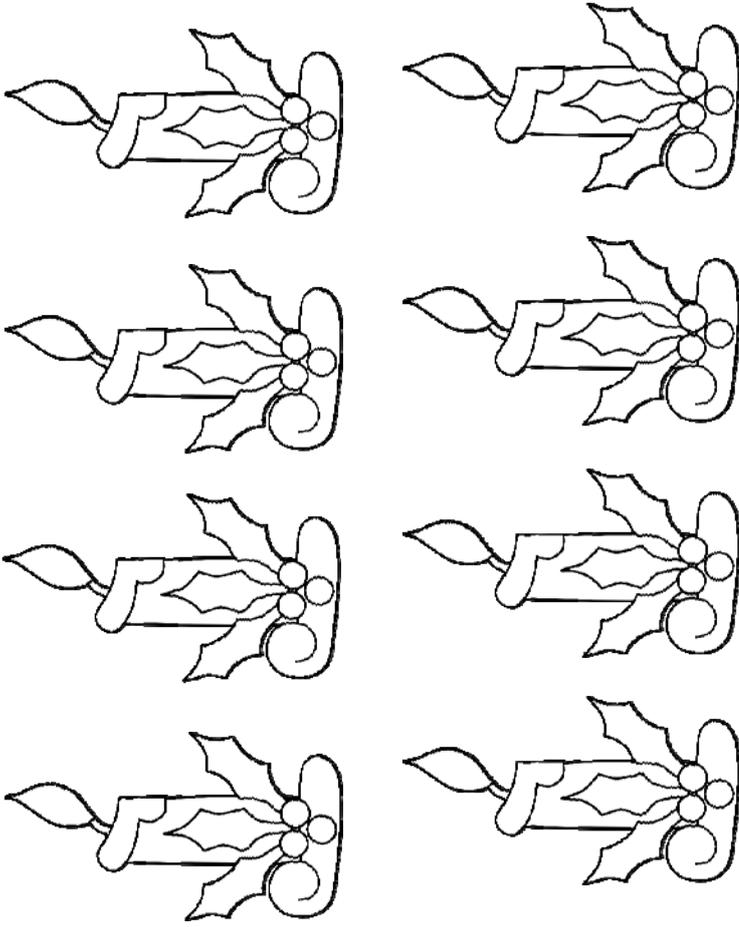
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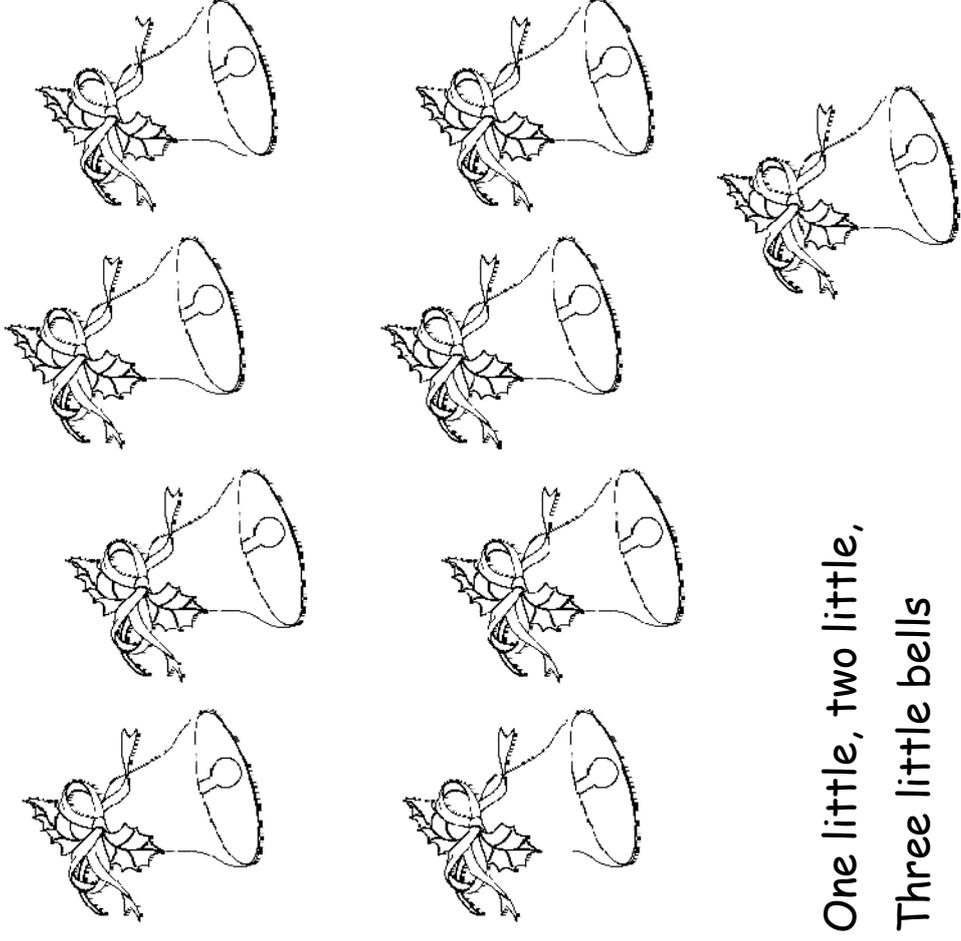
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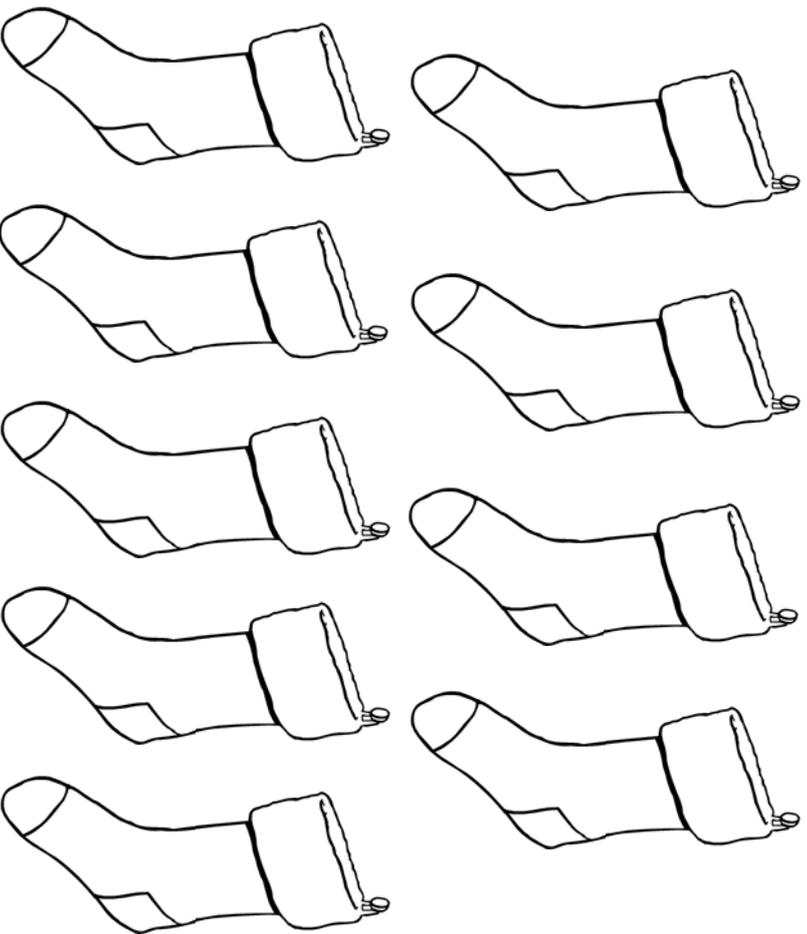
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One little, two little,
Three little candles
Four little, five little,
Six little candles,
Seven little, eight little,
Nine little candles,
Shining in the night.



One little, two little,
Three little bells
Four little, five little,
Six little bells,
Seven little, eight little,
Nine little bells,
Ringing in the night.



One little, two little,

Three little stockings

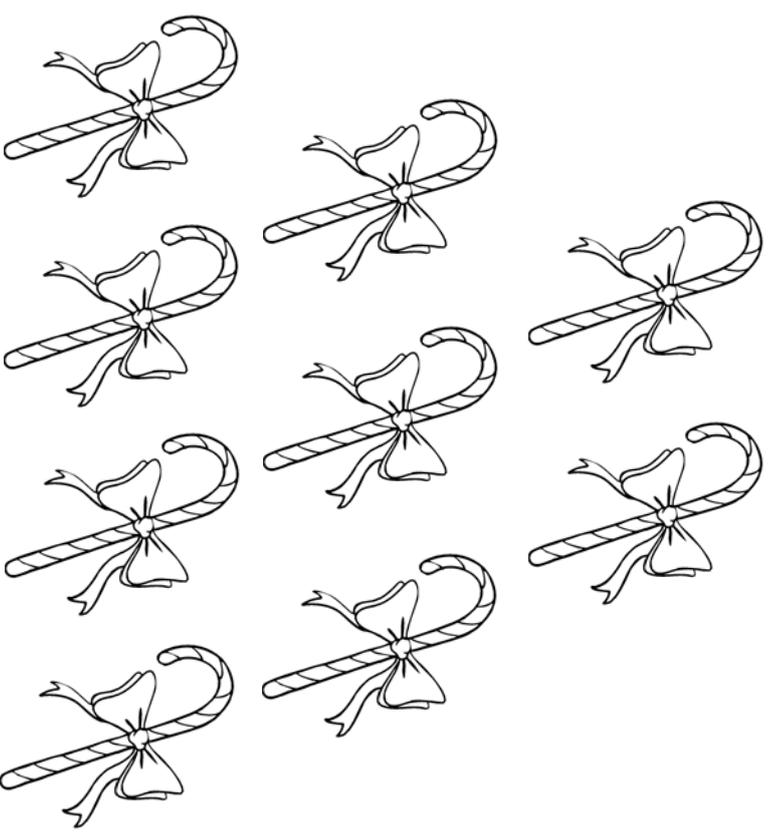
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Nine little stockings,

Hanging in a row.



One little, two little,

Three little candy canes

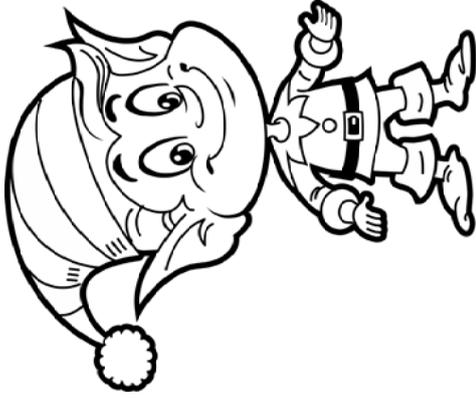
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On the Christmas tree.



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One little, two little,

Three little _____,

Four little, five little,

Six little _____,

Seven little, eight little,

Nine little _____,

_____.

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Nine little _____,

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Nine little _____,
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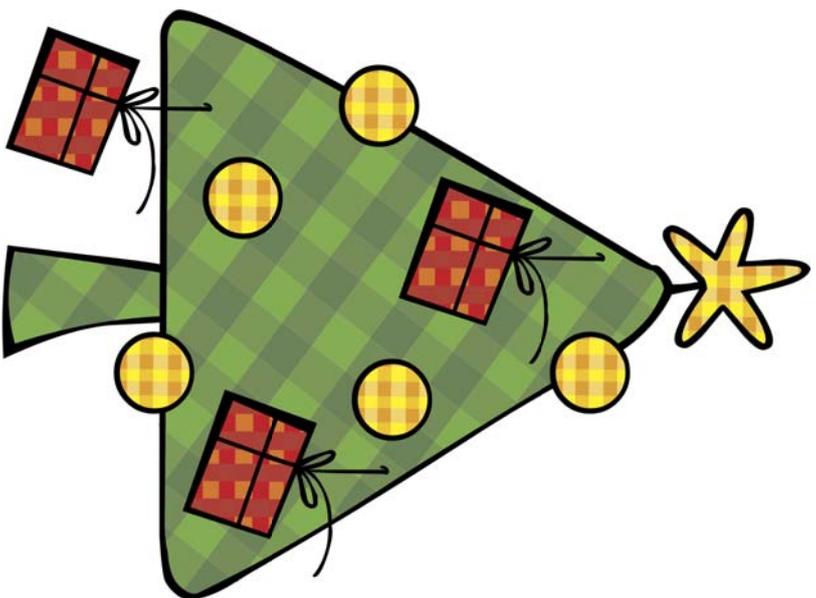
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I Like To See Christmas



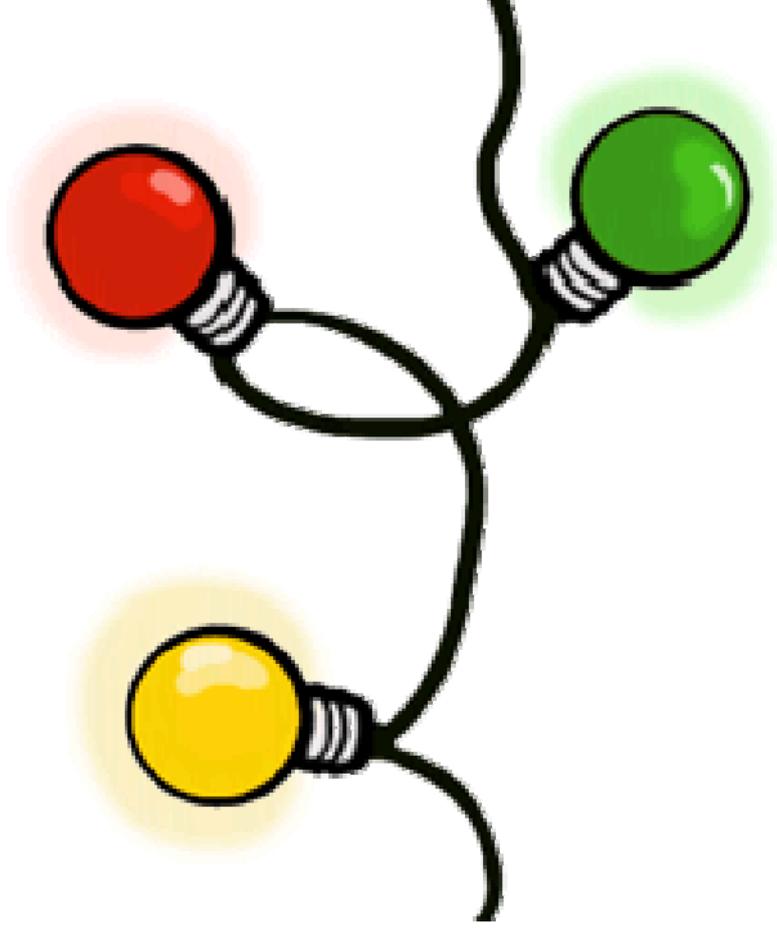
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I like to see my friends
at Christmas!



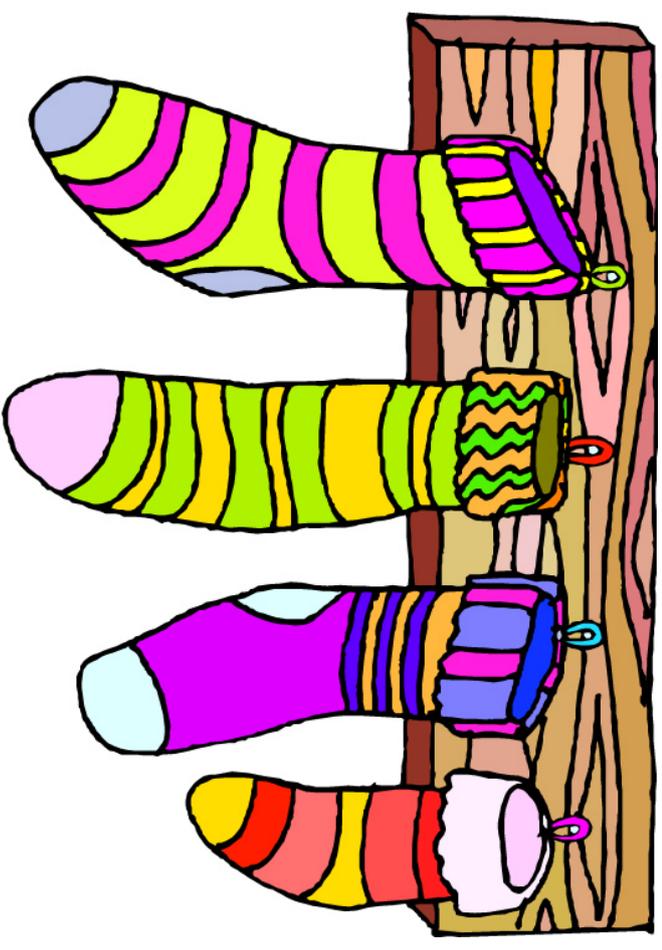
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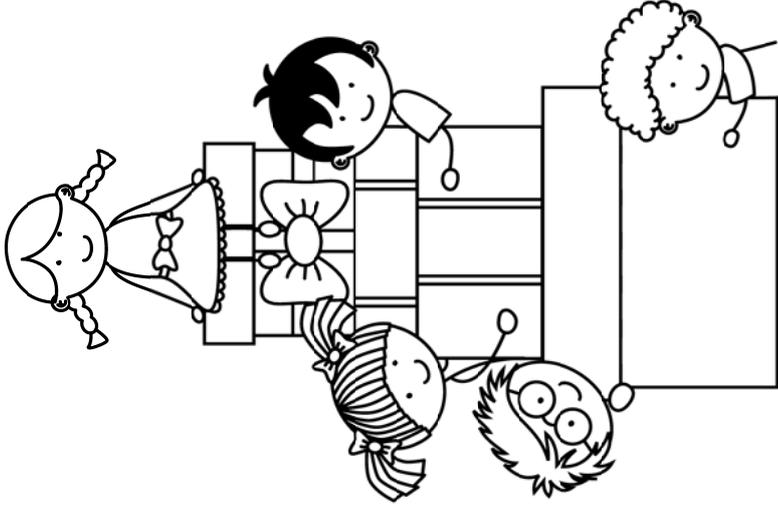
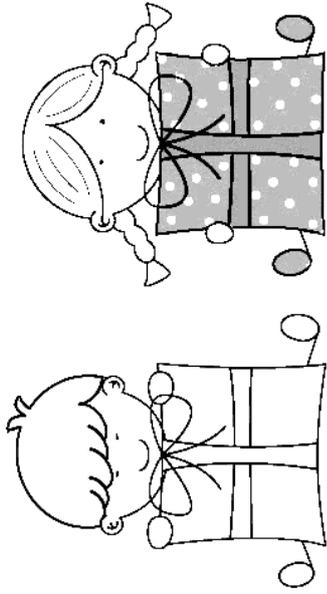
I like to see
Christmas lights.



I like to see the
Christmas stars.



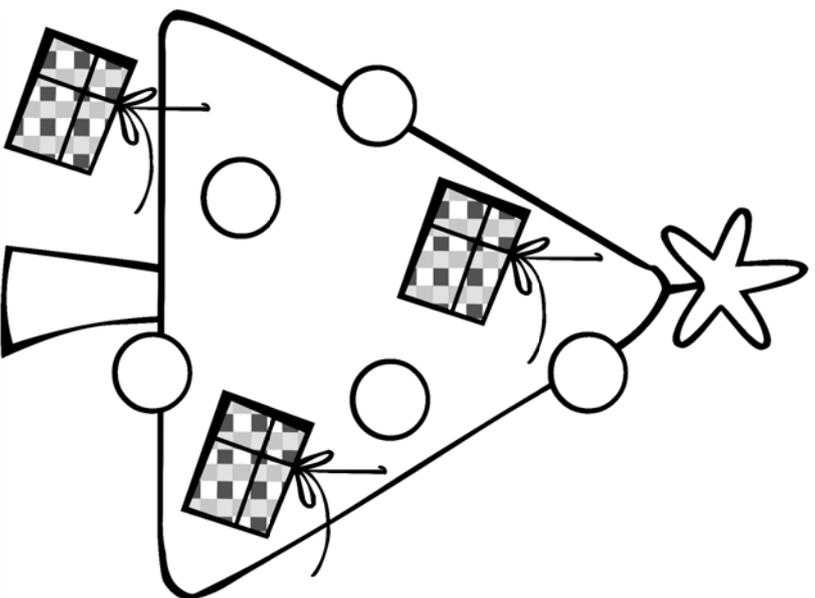
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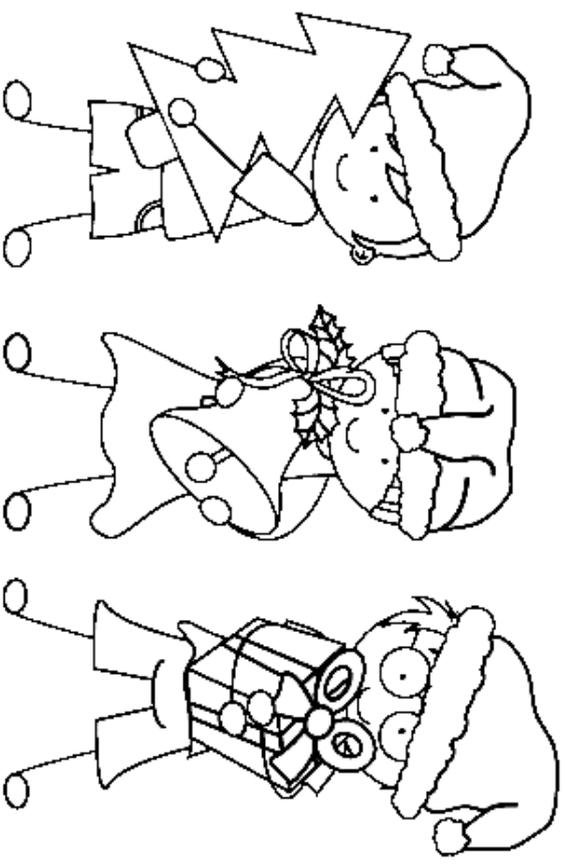
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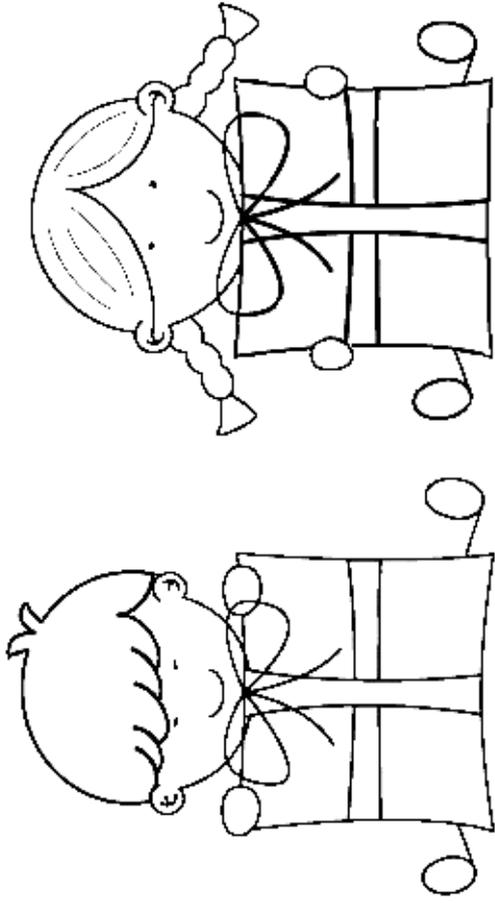
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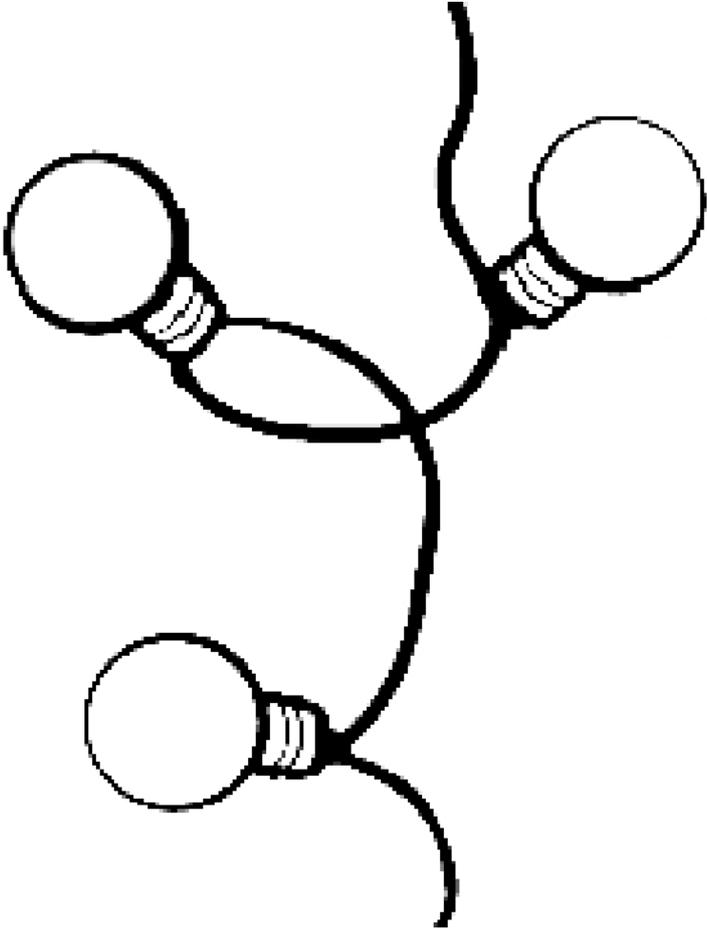
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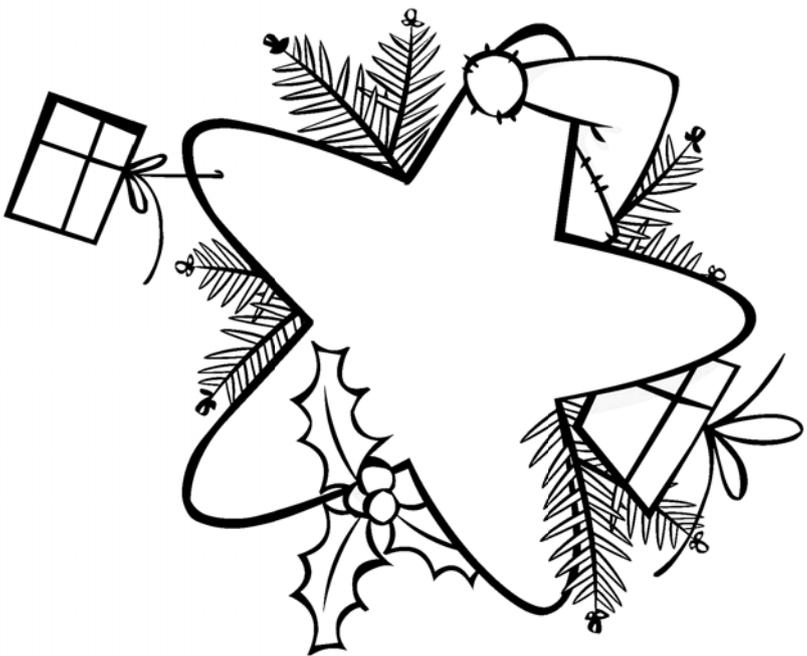
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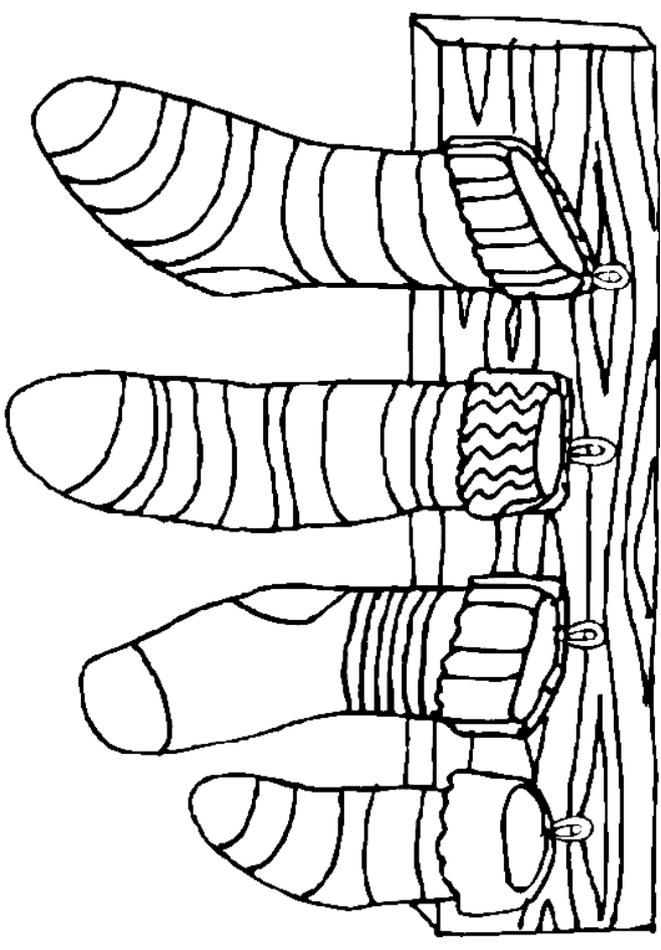
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I like to see
Christmas lights.



I like to see the
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I like to see the
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I Like To See Christmas

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I like to see

_____.

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I like to see _____

_____ **at Christmas!**

7

I like to see

_____.

I like to see

_____.

I like to see

4

I like to see

5

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I Like To See Christmas

**I like to see the
Christmas tree.**

**I like to see my friends
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I like to see
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I like to see the
Christmas stars.

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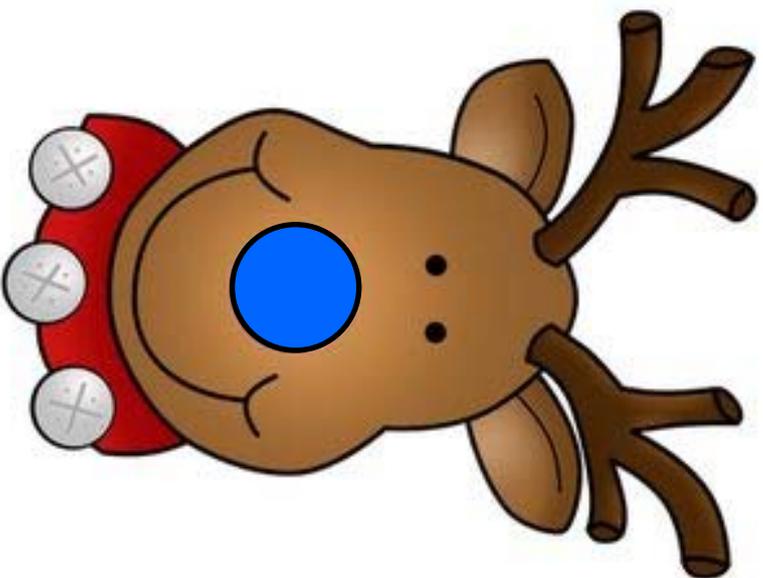
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Rudolph

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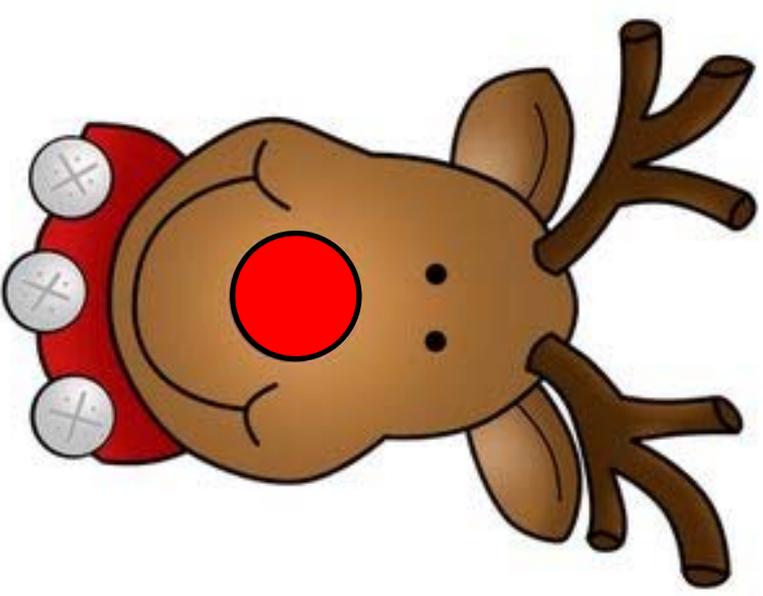


Rudolph! Rudolph!

What will you do?

You can't guide Santa

If your nose is blue!



Rudolph! Rudolph!

The children are in bed.

And now we know you're ready,

'Cause your nose is red!

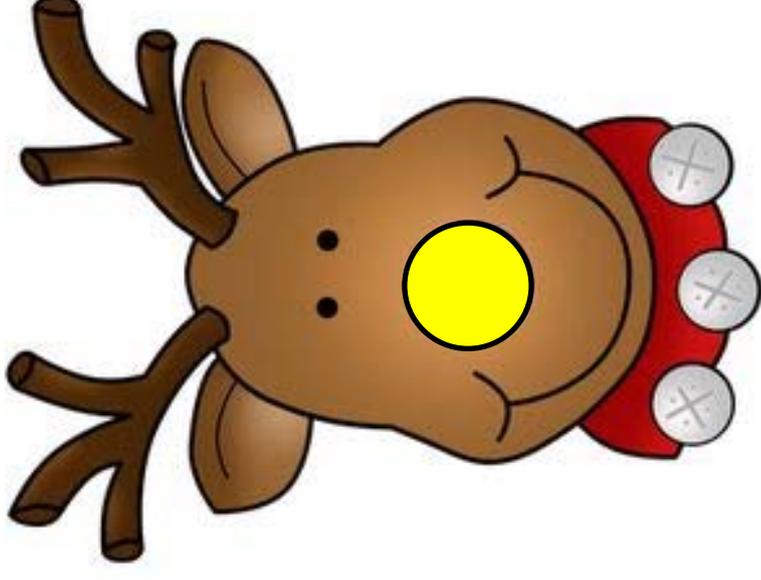


Rudolph! Rudolph!

Santa gave a wink.

But what will Santa think

If your nose is pink?



Rudolph! Rudolph!

You're such a funny fellow.

Who will know it's you

If your nose is yellow?



Rudolph! Rudolph!

Your way cannot be seen

Through the winter weather

If your nose is green!

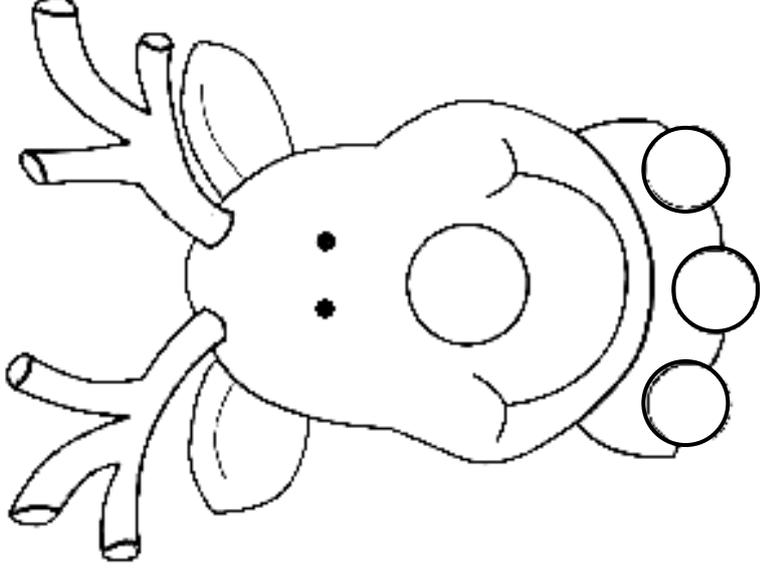
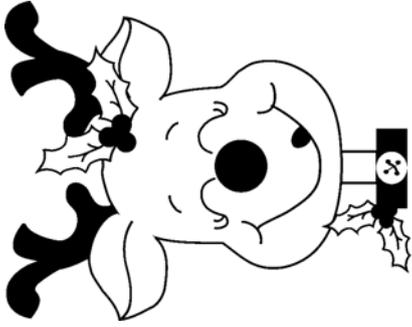


Rudolph! Rudolph!

Santa has his sack.

But you're not ready

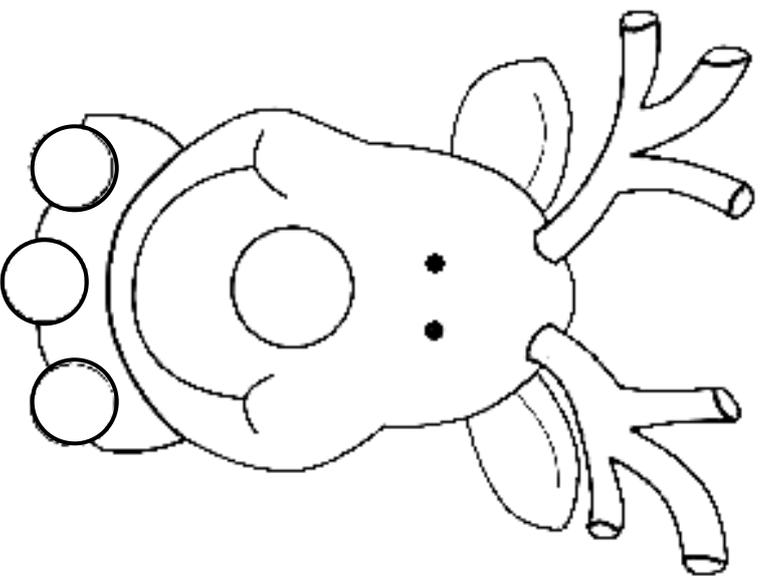
If your nose is black!



Rudolph

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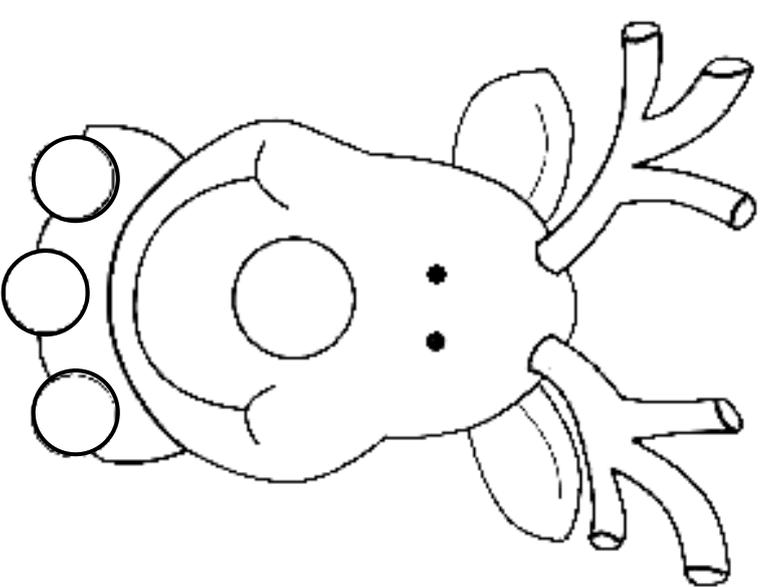


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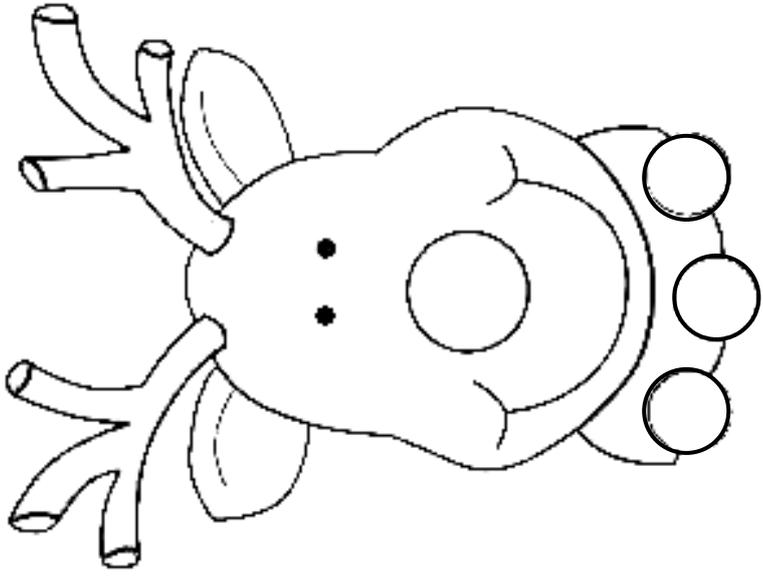


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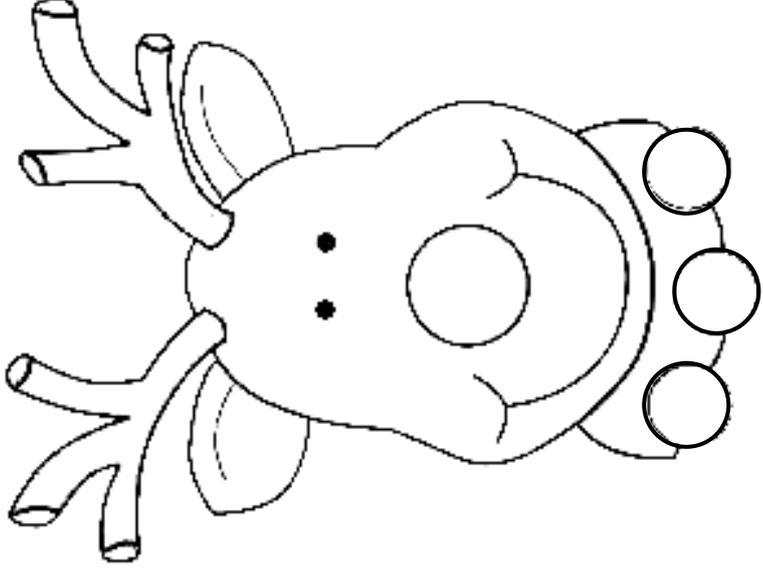


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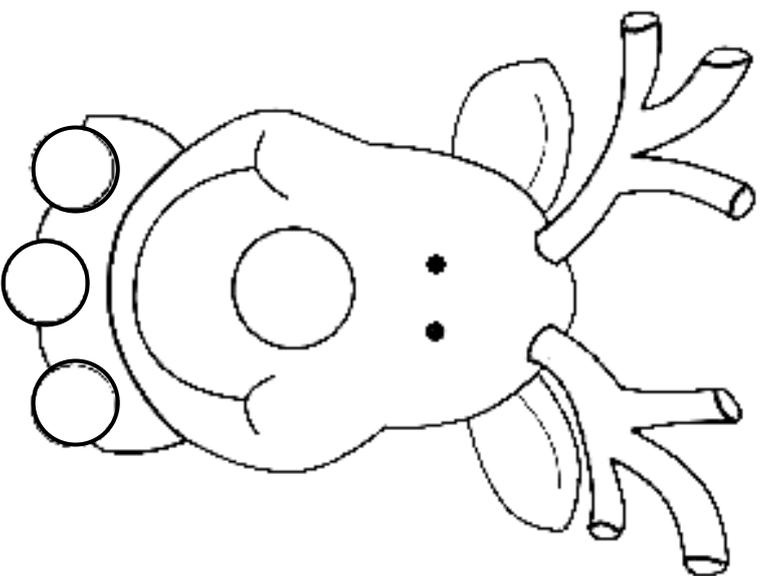


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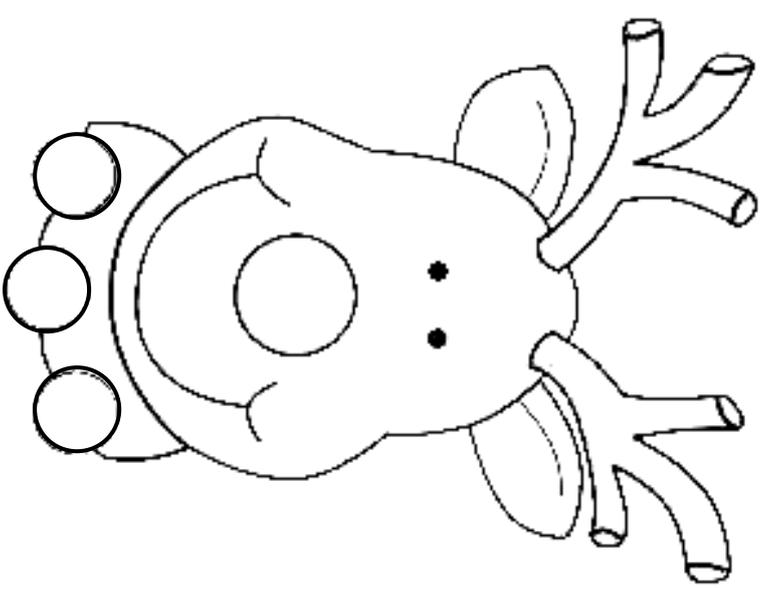


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S-A-N-T-A



I know a man with a long
white beard,
And Santa is his name-o.



S-A-N-T-A, S-A-N-T-A,
S-A-N-T-A,
And Santa is his name-o.



He says Merry Christmas
to everyone,
And Santa is his name-o.



S-A-N-T-A, S-A-N-T-A,
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He slides down the chimney

with his sack of toys

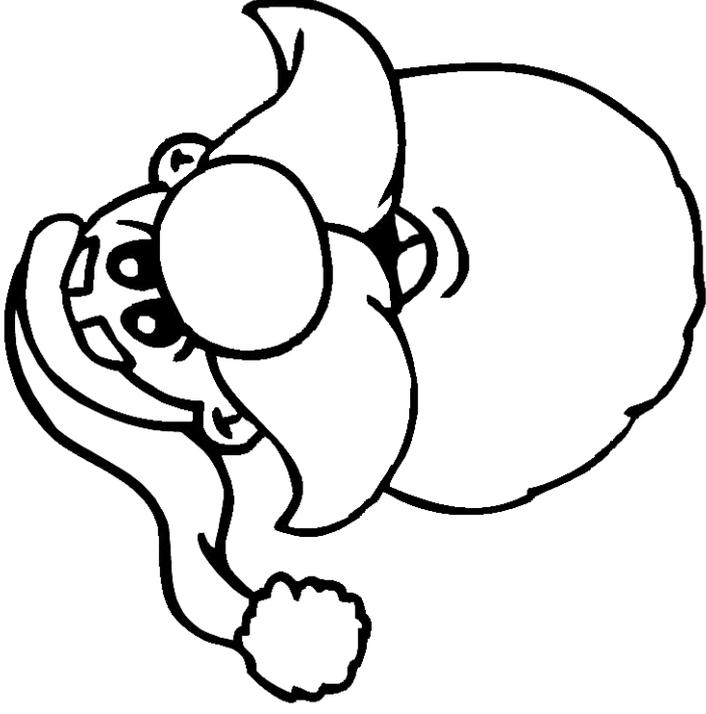
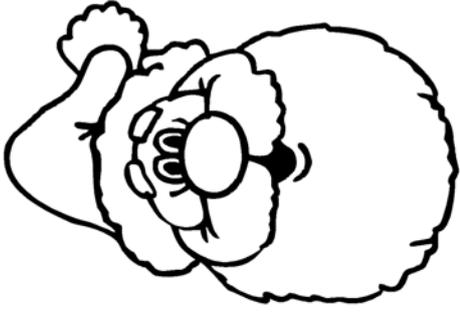
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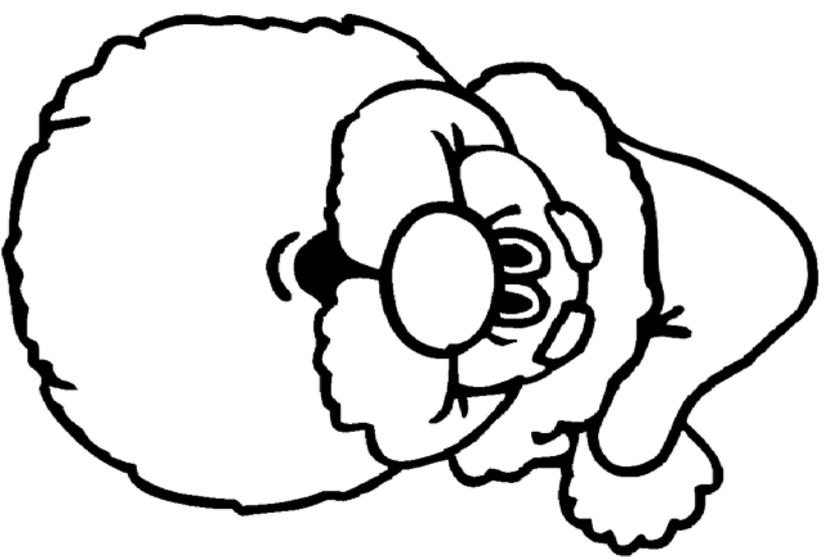
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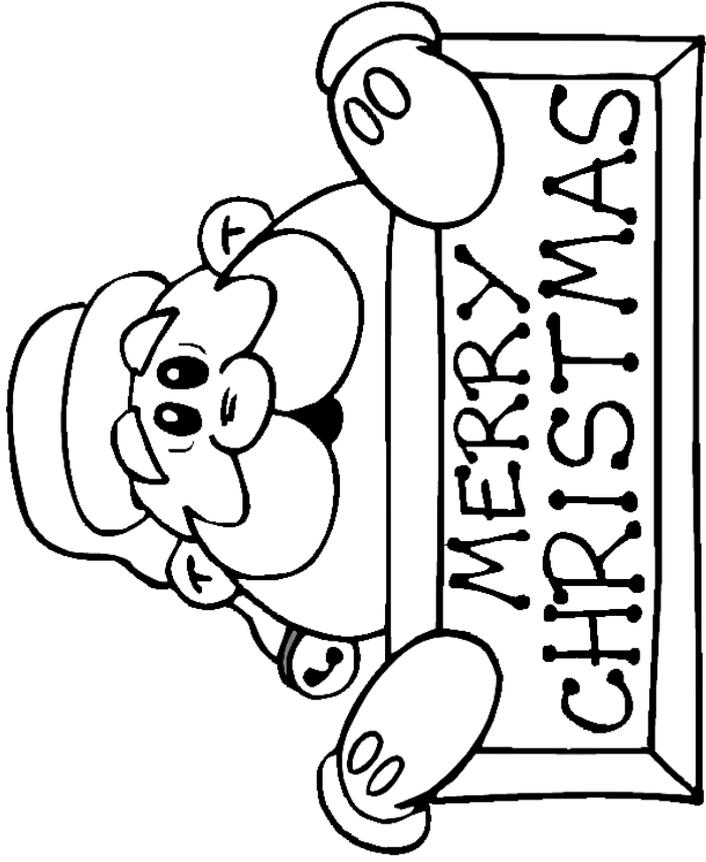
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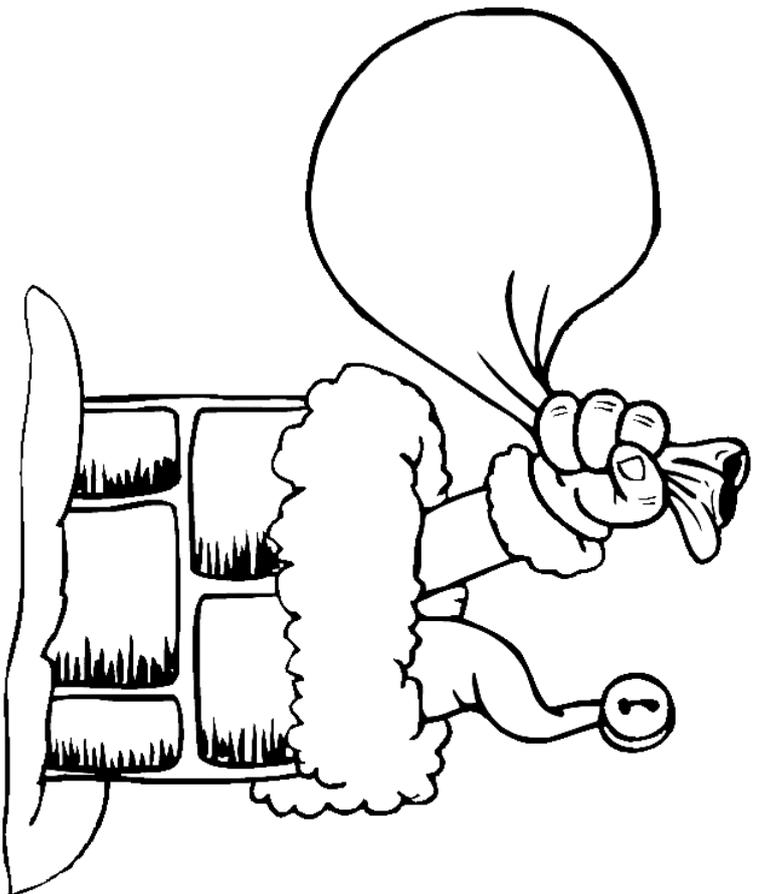
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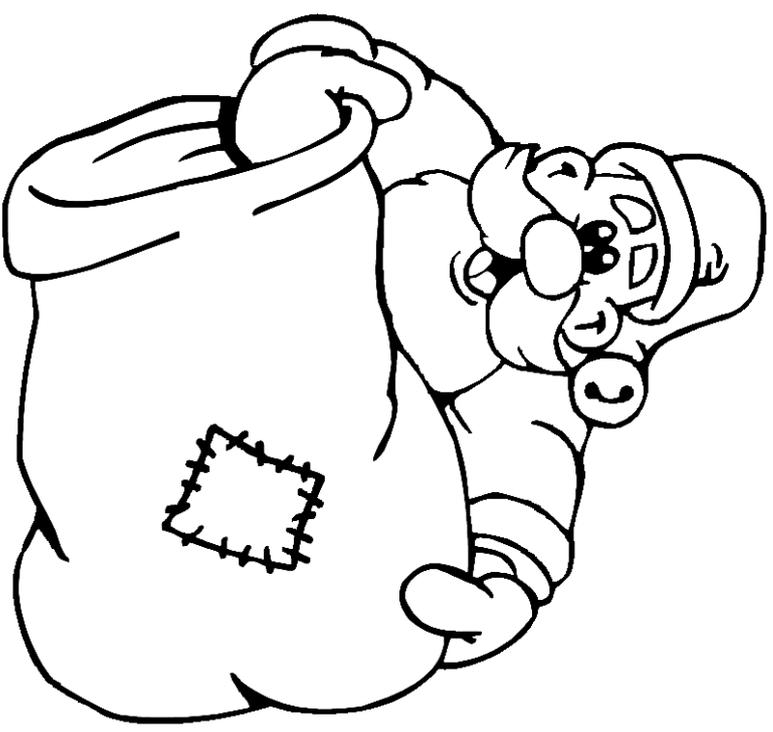


He slides down the chimney

with his sack of toys

And Santa is his name-o.

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S-A-N-T-A,

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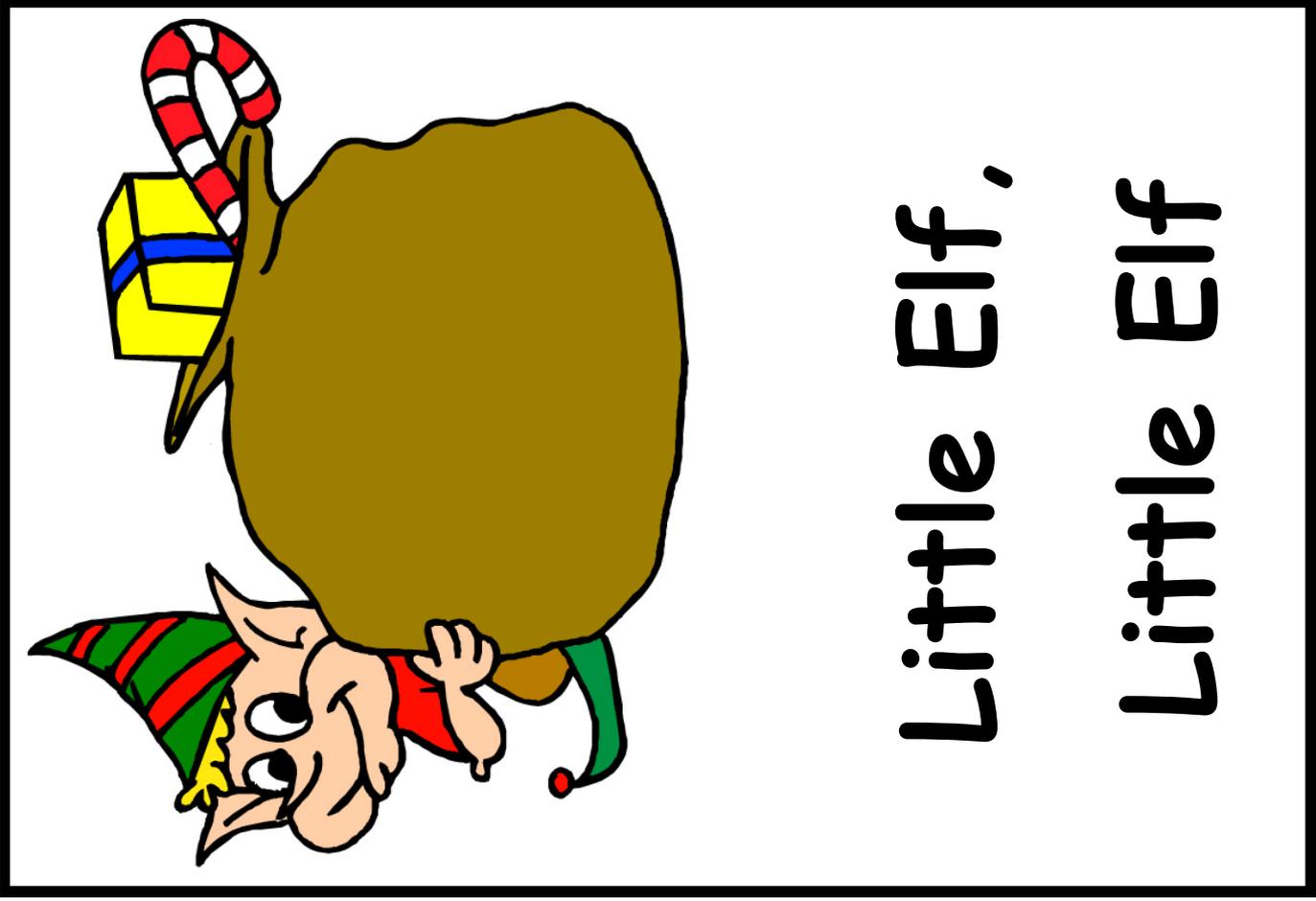
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Little Elf, Little Elf



Little Elf, Little Elf,

What do you see?

Shimmering lights

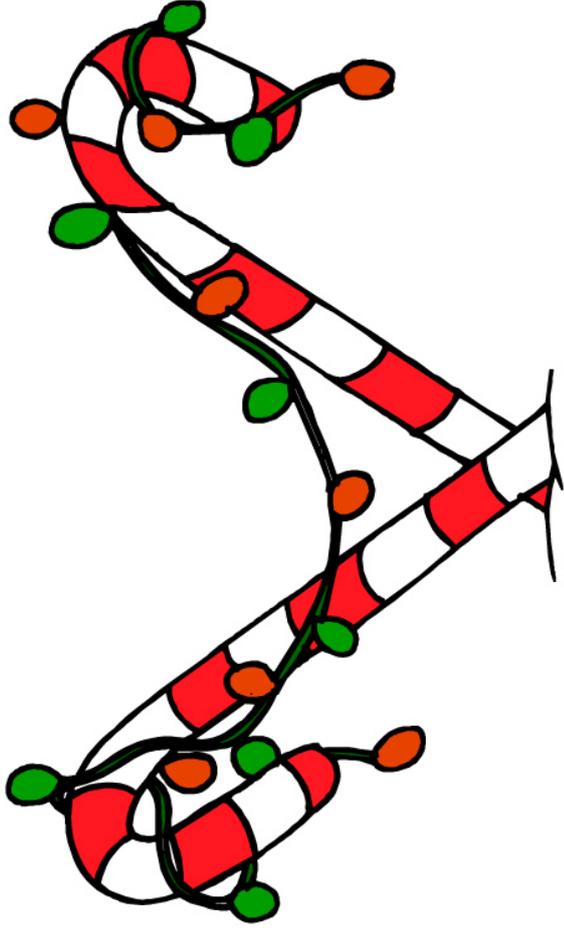
On the Christmas tree.



Merry Christmas!

From:

Little Elf



Little Elf, Little Elf,

What do you eat?

Candy canes

So crunchy and sweet.



Little Elf, Little Elf,

What do you hear?

Sleigh bells ringing

On Santa's reindeer.



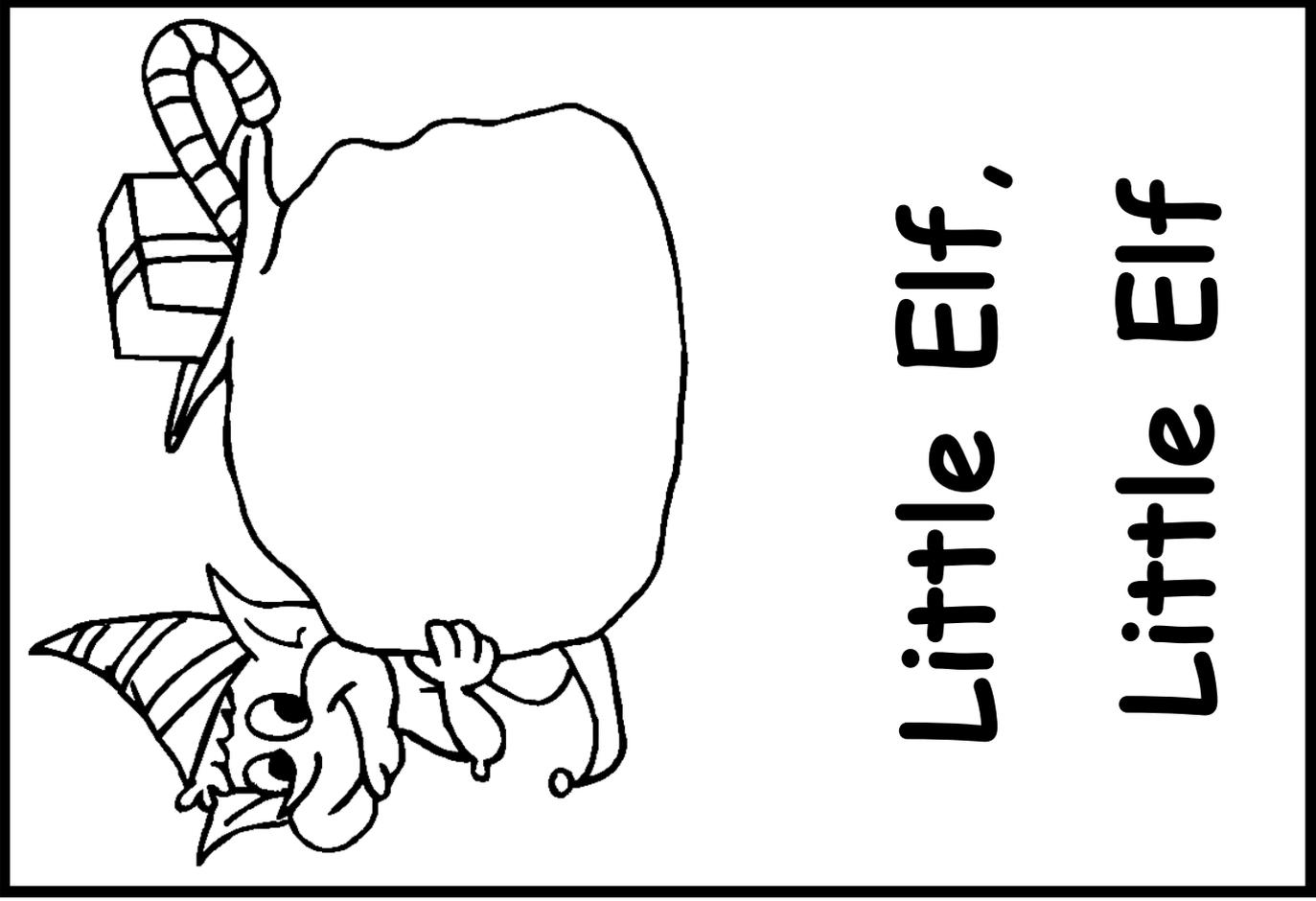
Little Elf, Little Elf,
What do you touch?
Santa's soft beard,
I like it so much.

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Little Elf, Little Elf,
What do you smell?
Something's in the oven,
But I won't tell.

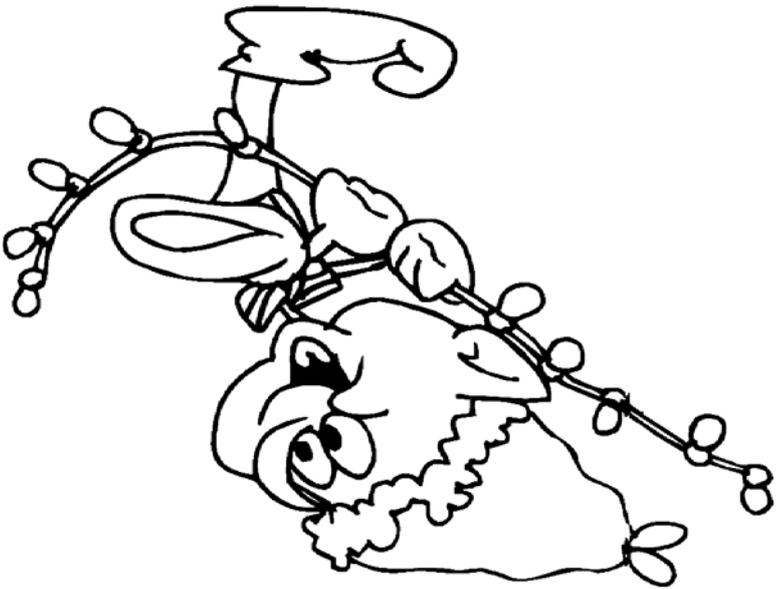
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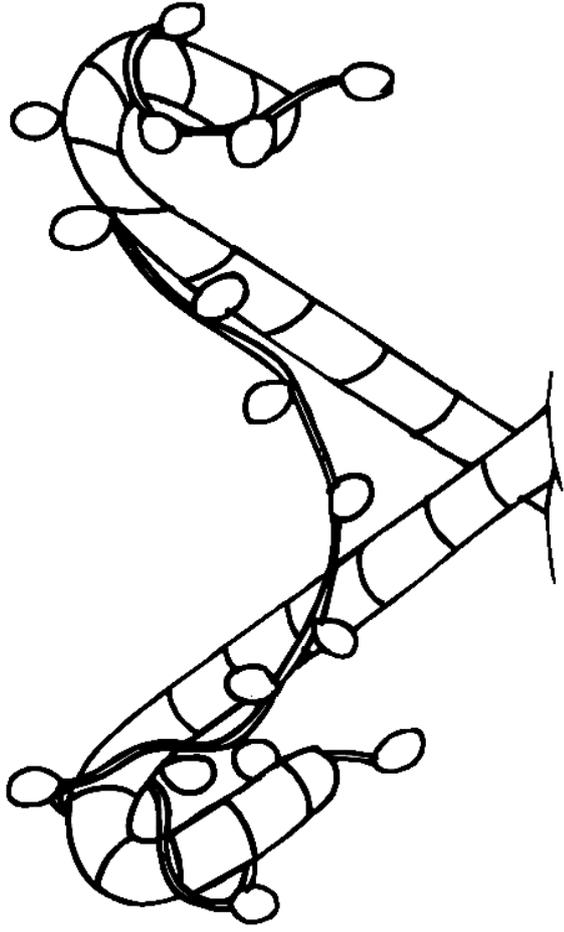
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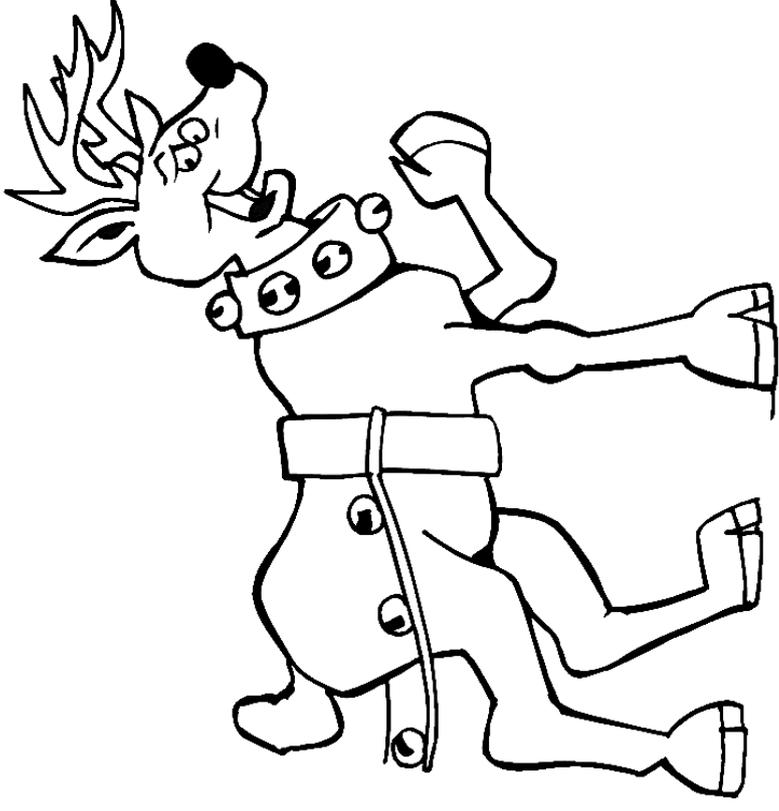


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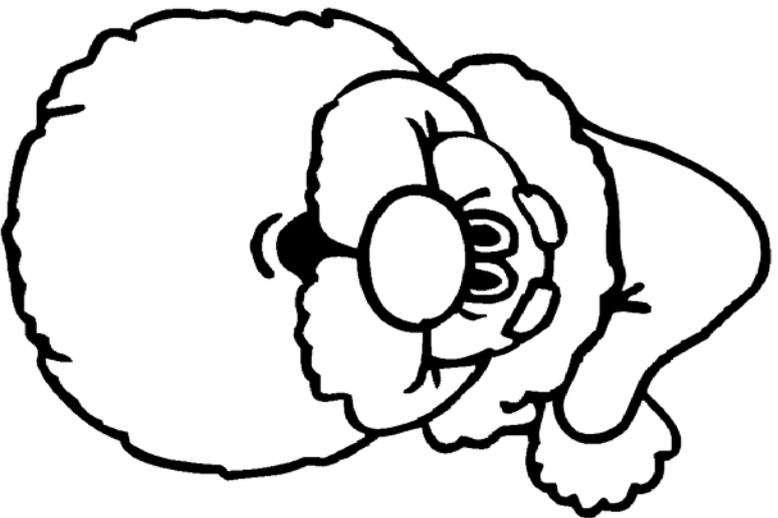


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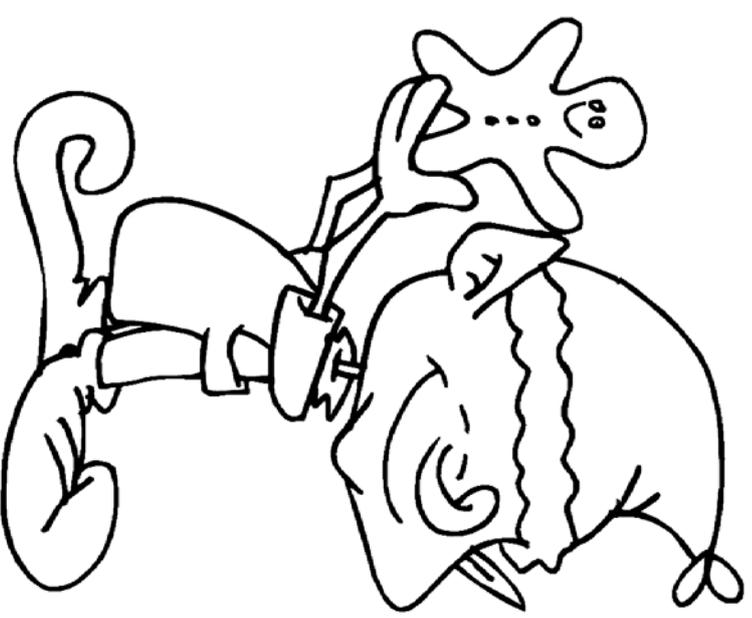
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S-A-N-T-A



Who laughs this way?

HO, HO, HO!



Who brings fun

For girls and boys?

S-A-N-T-A



His hair is white.

His nose is red.

He wears a hat

To cover his head.



S-A-N-T-A



Who drives his sleigh
Through sleet and snow?

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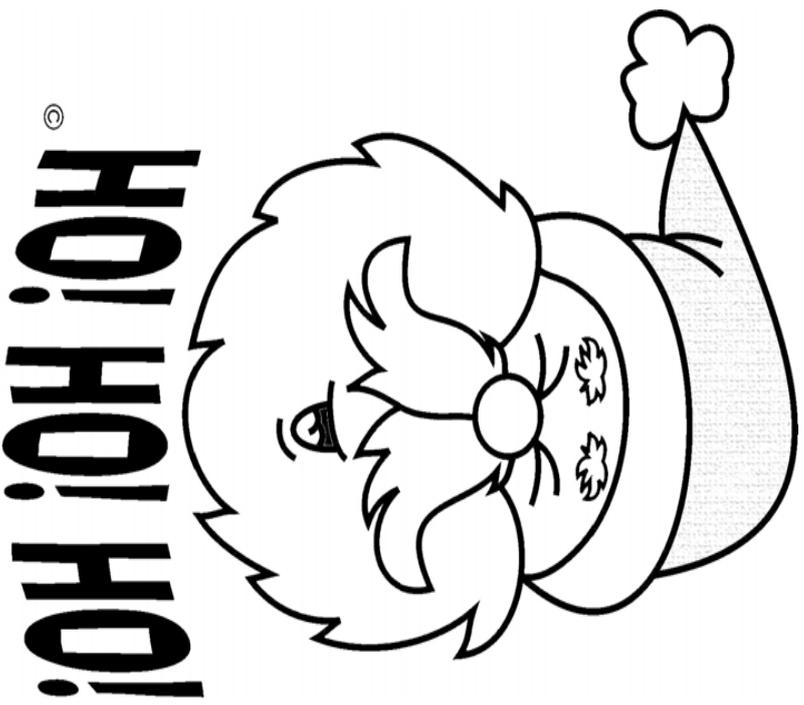
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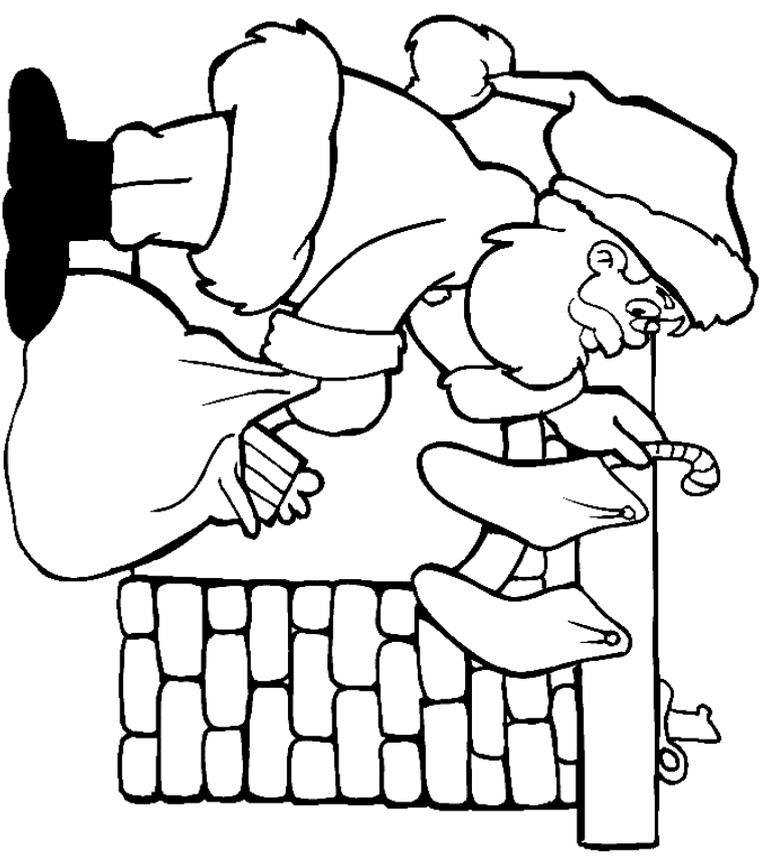
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Who laughs this way?

HO, HO, HO!



Who brings fun

For girls and boys?

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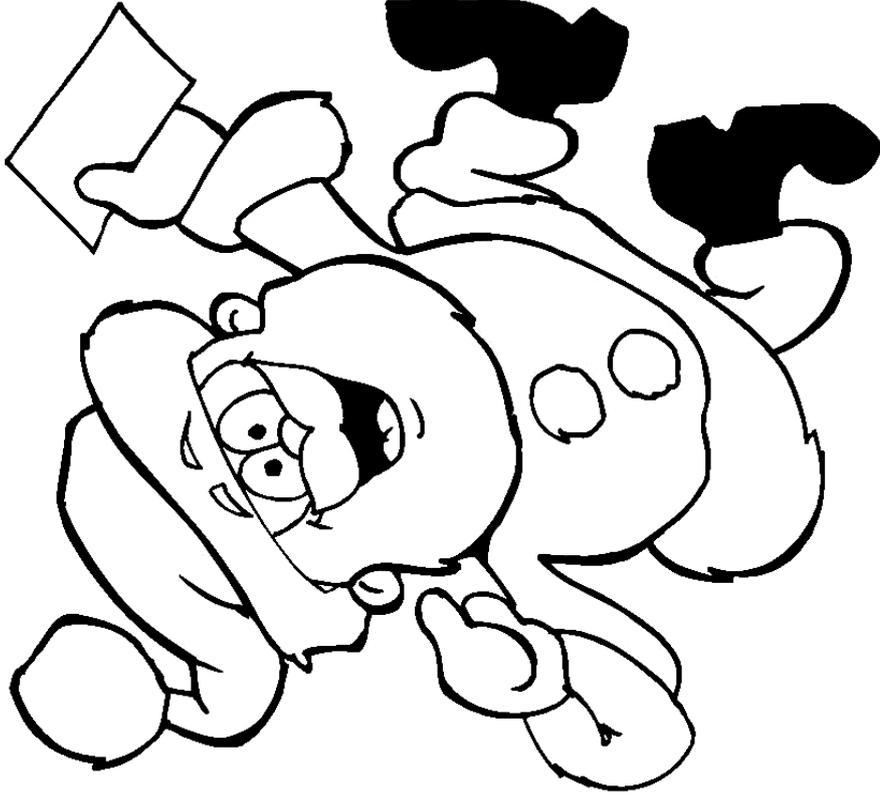


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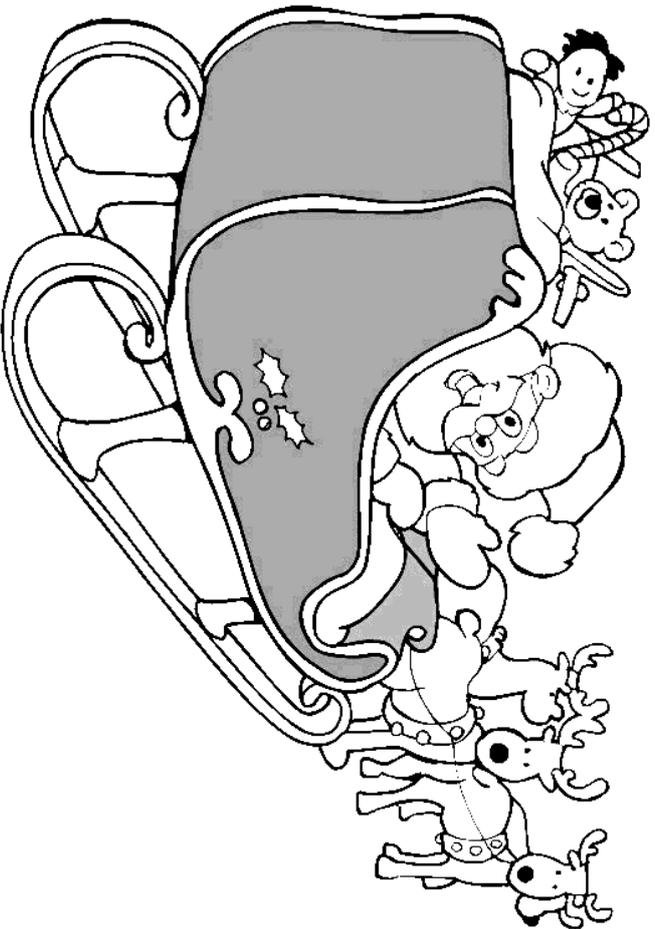
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He wears a hat

To cover his head.

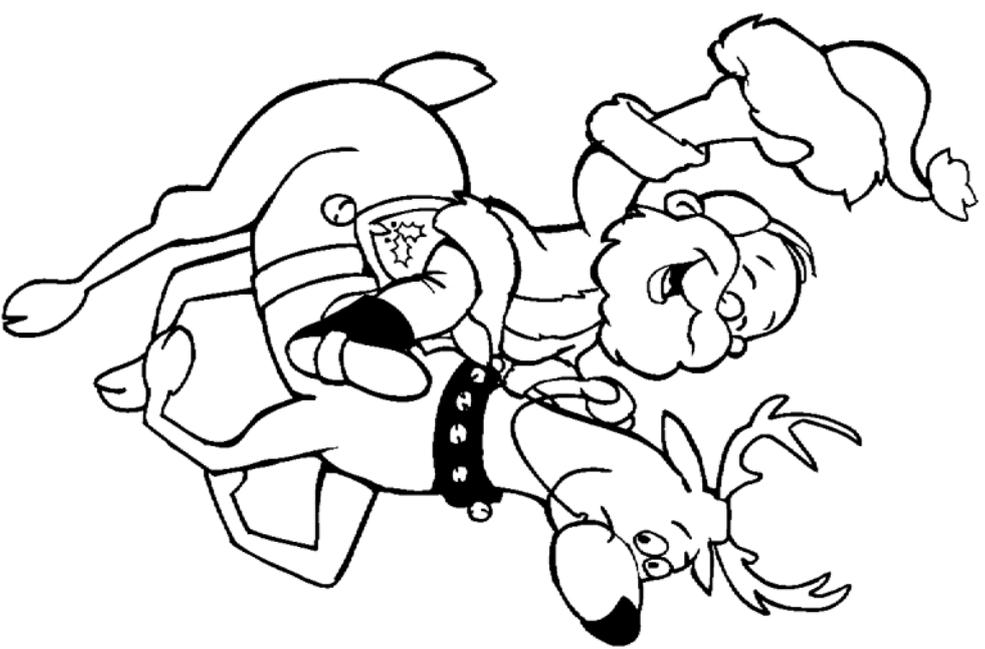


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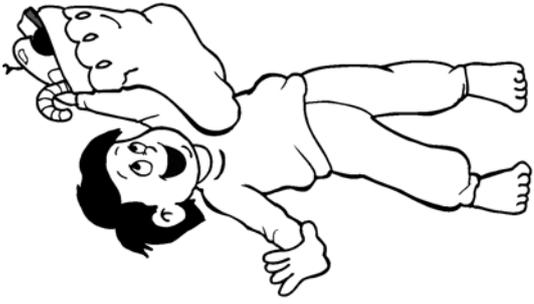
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Who laughs this way?

HO, HO, HO!

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For girls and boys?

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His hair is white.

His nose is red.

He wears a hat

To cover his head.

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Who drives his sleigh
Through sleet and snow?

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