



Winter Party

Please remember check your classroom allergy list before planning your party ❄️

Room Party Checklist

Party Occasion: _____

Party Chairperson: _____

Telephone/Email: _____

Budget:

Price per Student:

Teacher Recommendations:

Assignments	Parent Volunteer	Phone/Email
Decorations		
Snack		
Drink		
Cups/Utensils		
Plates/Napkins		
Craft #1		
Craft #2		
Game #1		
Game #2		
Game #3		
Treat Bags		
Goodies for Bags		
Goodies for Bags		

(Parents volunteering to help with the games, craft, book reading, and set up/clean up need to attend the party, and have all necessary items for their assignment. Parents contributing paper goods, snacks, decorations and favors can send the "contribution" in to the chairperson prior to the party if they are unable to attend.)

Contingency Plans:

Christmas Games

Game: Feed Rudolph

Number of players: Entire class

Materials needed: 2 cardboard boxes
2 pictures of Rudolph
6 burlap bean bags

How to play: Staple pictures to box front. Divide class in half (there is no competition between the 2 groups). Children take turns tossing the 3 "food" beanbags to Rudolph. A prize is given to each child for effort. Ones who get all 3 in the box can be given extra.

Game: North Pole

Number of players: Entire class

Materials needed: 4 shoeboxes
1 wrapped stand approx. 4 feet high (a wrapped t-ball stand or plastic basketball stand) with a North Pole sign on top
bowl of candies

How to play: Divide into 2 teams. Each child steps into 2 shoeboxes (called "skis" or "sleighs"). They must race up to the North Pole, go around it, and are handed a treat by an adult (with an elf hat on) and ski back to their team. They must keep their feet in the boxes. They do not need to remove their shoes.

Game: Santa's Boot

Number of players: Entire class

Materials needed: 2 large black rubber boots
cotton balls
large bowl
2 large spoons

How to play: Divide the class into 2 teams. One child on each team is given a spoon. They must dish out cotton balls from the bowl, walk to the boot and drop them in. The team that fills Santa's boots first wins.

Gift Exchange Game

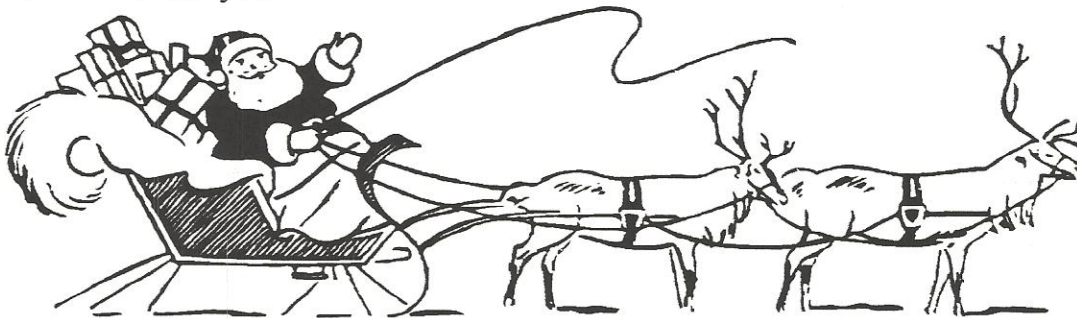
Sit in a large circle. Give each student a gift. As you recite the poem, have the children pass the gifts left or right as directed in the story. When the story is finished, each student can then open the present they are holding.

'Twas the night RIGHT before Christmas when RIGHT through the house, not a creature was LEFT stirring – not even a mouse. The stockings were hung RIGHT by the chimney with care, in hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be RIGHT there.

The children were nestled RIGHT snug in their beds, while visions of sugar plums danced RIGHT in their heads – and, Mama in her kerchief, and I, in my cap, had just settled RIGHT down for a long winter's nap. When RIGHT out on the LEFT lawn there arose such a clatter. I sprang RIGHT from my bed to see what was the matter.

Away to the RIGHT window I LEFT like a flash, tore open the shutters, and threw up the sash. The moon on the breast of the new-fallen snow LEFT a luster of mid-day to objects RIGHT below. When, what to my wondering eyes should appear, but a miniature sleigh and eight tiny reindeer. With a little old driver RIGHT lively and quick, I knew RIGHT in a moment it must be St. Nick.

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came, and he whistled and shouted and called them RIGHT by name: Now Dasher! Now Dancer! Now Prancer and Vixon! On, Comet! On, Cupid! On Donner and Blitzen! To the RIGHT top of the porch! To the LEFT top of the wall! Now dash away – dash away – dash RIGHT away all!



As dry leaves before the wild hurricane fly when they meet RIGHT with an obstacle, mount RIGHT up to the sky; so up to the housetop the coursers they LET and flew, with a sleigh full of toys and St. Nicholas too. Then in a twinkling, I heard RIGHT on the roof, the prancing and pawing of each little RIGHT and LEFT hoof.

As I drew in my head and was turning LEFT around – Down the chimney St. Nicholas came with a bound. He was dressed all in fur, RIGHT from his head to his LEFT foot, and his clothes were all LEFT tarnished with ashes and soot.

A bundle of toys he had flung RIGHT on his back, and he looked like a peddler just opening his pack. His RIGHT and LEFT eyes – how they twinkled! His dimples – how merry! His cheeks were like roses and his nose like a cherry! His droll little mouth was LEFT drawn up like a bow and the beard LEFT on his chin was as white as the snow.



The stump of a pipe he held RIGHT in his teeth and the smoke – it circled his head like a wreath. He had a broad face and a round little belly, that shook when he laughed like a bowl full of jelly.

He was RIGHT chubby and plump, a RIGHT jolly old elf, and I laughed when I saw him in spite of myself. A wink of his LEFT eye and a LEFT twist of his head, soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread. He spoke not a word but went RIGHT straight to his work and filled all the stockings and turned with a jerk. And laying his finger to the LEFT of his nose, and giving a nod, he LEFT up the chimney he rose.

He sprang RIGHT to his sleigh, and to his team gave a whistle, and away they all LEFT like the down of a thistle.

But I heard him exclaim as he LEFT out of sight: “Happy Christmas to all and to all a Good Night!!”

HOLIDAY TRIVIA GAME

QUESTIONS – RED TEAM

1. What day is Christmas Day?
2. Name the red flowers commonly used at Christmas.
3. Name 3 of Santa's reindeer.
4. What is the name of the special candlestick used during Hanukkah?
5. What song contains the phrase "Faa-la-la-la-la-la-la-la-la-la"?
6. What was Scrooge's favorite saying in "A Christmas Carol"?
7. Name two places Santa puts presents for children.
8. In what country would you wish someone "Joyeux Noel"?
9. In one holiday songs, a boy claims all he wants for Christmas are two things. What are they?
10. Name the famous Christmas ballet enjoyed by children.
11. Where does Santa live?
12. What do people hang on their doors at Christmas?
13. Name three words Santa says when he's happy.

QUESTIONS – GREEN TEAM

1. What happens when you stand under the mistletoe?
2. Who was chosen to guide Santa on Christmas Eve?
3. What is Santa Claus called in England?
4. In what country would you wish someone "Feliz Navidad"?
5. Who's "nipping at your nose" when you go outside in winter?
6. What is the date of Christmas Eve?
7. What do Dutch children leave for Santa to fill with presents?
8. Who are Santa's helpers?
9. What famous snowman do we sing about at Christmas?
10. Name one of the 3 spirits who visited Scrooge on Christmas Eve.
11. In what country would you find a piñata on Christmas?
12. In the song about "Rudolph" what is the weather like on Christmas Eve?
13. What is "roasting on an open fire" in the Christmas song?

HOLIDAY TRIVIA GAME

ANSWERS – RED TEAM

1. December 25
2. Poinsettia
3. Rudolph, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner, Blitzen
4. Menorah
5. "Deck the Halls"
6. "Bah, Humbug"
7. Under the tree, in stockings
8. France
9. Two front teeth
10. "The Nutcracker"
11. The North Pole
12. Wreaths
13. "ho, ho, ho"

ANSWERS – GREEN TEAM

1. You get kissed
2. Rudolph
3. Father Christmas
4. Mexico or Spain
5. Jack Frost
6. December 24
7. Wooden shoes
8. Elves
9. Frosty
10. The Ghost of Christmas Past, Present, and Future
11. Mexico
12. Foggy
13. Chestnuts

GIFT WRAPPING RACE!

- 1. Assemble teams: 5 teams with 4 players and 2 teams with 3 players. (should equal 26 children)**
- 2. Give each team a prepared gift box of supplies. Each team should have a box, tape, wrapping paper, ribbon and bow.**
- 3. Each player must put one hand behind their back and work as a team to wrap the gift. Remember to work together and each player can only use one hand at all times.**
- 4. Whichever team completes wrapping the gift first is the winner. Remember the bow must also be on!**
- 5. HAVE A GREAT TIME AND GOOD LUCK!!!**

***Marshmallow Snowball Toss:** Pair up the kids. Give each pair a bag of marshmallows. Have them kneel a few feet from each other. Each kid tries to toss the marshmallows into his teammate's mouth. The team that catches the most wins. Have them place the missed marshmallows on a pile between the 2 players before the next marshmallow is tossed.

***Snowball Hockey:** Have the kids try to blow with a straw, and blow the cotton ball into the goal (use cup taped to the table for goal). The person who makes the most goals at the end of the time limit wins.

Once they get bored with this game, have them pair up and play against each other. Then can just try to shoot off the end of the table with the opponent trying to blow the cotton ball the other direction.

Snowball Throw

Supplies: A line drawn or taped on the floor - we will be using a jump
How To Play: Set a time for 2-3 minutes. Yell, "GO"! Each team throws their tissue paper snowballs back and forth across the lines. When the timer goes off, the team with the least amount of snowballs on their side wins.

CHRISTMAS CARD TOSS

Objective: Throw Christmas cards into a laundry basket a few feet away. Sounds easy? Think again!

Needed: 5 Christmas cards, laundry basket.

Rules: Get about 5 Christmas cards of various sizes. Place a laundry basket about six feet away from the participants. Have each participant stand at a specific place and throw the cards at the basket. The person who gets the most cards in the basket wins the game. Trust me, this is extremely difficult to do! The cards seem to have a will of their own!

Cloths Pin – Word game

This game will be played during the entire party.

Give each person 2 cloths pins, and have them hang them on their shirts.

A secret word "Christmas" is given to the class. When someone says the secret word "Christmas", the first person that hears the secret word should call out that person's name. Then the person who said the secret word "Christmas" should give the other person one of their cloths pins.

The person with the most cloths pins at the end of the game is the winner. If there is a tie between two people calling out the name, then no one gets the cloths pin.