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Merry Christmas!

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## Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a happy, prosperous New Year!

The gift of love. The gift of peace. The gift of happiness. May all these be yours at Christmas. May your holidays sparkle with joy and laughter.



~ Shawn Cote & Family - Blue Raven Design & Print & The Around Town Paper in Manitoba



"Christmas isn't a season. It's a feeling." —Edna Ferber

One of the most glorious messes in the world is the mess created in the living room on Christmas Day. Don't clean it up too quickly." —Andy Rooney



"I prefer the retro chic of spending Christmas just like Joseph and Mary did — traveling arduously back to the place of your birth to be counted, with no guarantee of a bed when you get there." —Tina Fey



### Vintage Christmas Advertising - December 3, 1949

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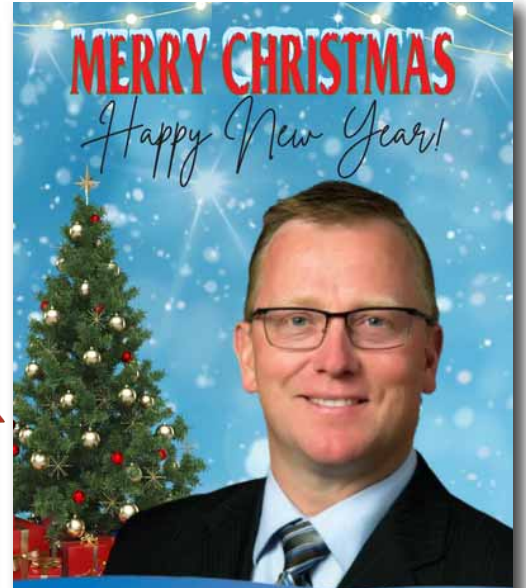
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to Ponder**

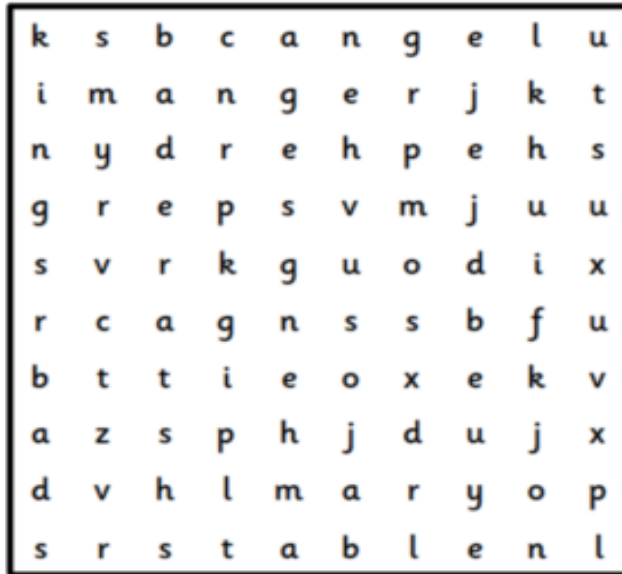
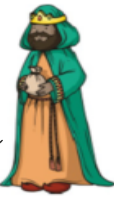
"Freshly cut Christmas trees smelling  
of stars and snow and pine resin  
—inhale deeply and fill your soul  
with wintry night."

- John J. Geddes



"Anyone who sends me junk e-mail is auto-  
matically added to the 'naughty' list!"

**Nativity Wordsearch**



- angel
- donkey
- kings
- manger
- shepherd
- stable
- Jesus
- Joseph
- Mary
- star



*Wuzzle Puzzle Answers:* 1. You can count on it 2. Foot in the door 3. No can do 4. Honest to goodness 5. Way overpriced 6. Living on a shoestring

"Never worry about the size of your Christmas tree.  
In the eyes of children, they are all 30 feet tall."

~ Larry Wilde, author *'The Merry Book of Christmas'*

**Name That Christmas Carol Clues:**

1. Bleached Yule
2. Castaneous - colored Seed Vesicated in a Conflagration
3. Singular Yearning for the Twin Anterior Incisors
4. Righteous Darkness
5. Arrival Time 2400 hrs - Weather Cloudless
6. Loyal Followers Advance
7. Far Off in a Feeder
8. Array the Corridor
9. Bantam Male Percussionist
10. Monarchial Triad
11. Nocturnal Noiselessness
12. Jehovah Deactivate Blithe Chevaliers
13. Red Man En Route to Borough
14. Frozen Precipitation Commence
15. Proceed and Enlighten on the Pinnacle
16. The Quadruped with the Vermillion Probiscis
17. Query Regarding Identity of Descendant
18. Delight for this Planet
19. Give Attention to the Melodious Celestial Beings
20. The Dozen Festive 24 Hour Intervals





## Dealing with Disappointment

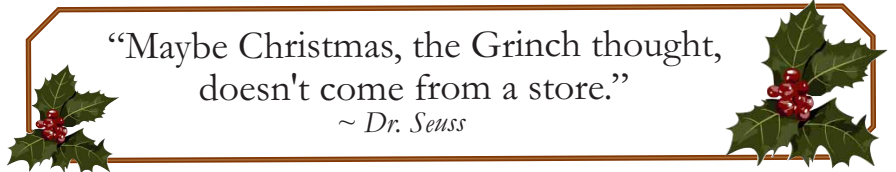
The gift of disappointment is to bring us into reality so we don't get stuck in the realm of how things might have been. Whenever we do something in life with an expectation of how we'd like it to turn out, we risk experiencing disappointment. When things don't go the way we had envisioned, we may feel a range of emotions from slightly let down to depressed or even angry. We might direct our feelings inward toward ourselves, or outward toward other people or the universe in general. Whether we feel disappointed by ourselves, a friend, or life in general, disappointment is always a tough feeling to experience. Still, it is a natural part of life, and there are many ways of dealing with it when we find ourselves in its presence.

As with any feeling, disappointment has come to us for a reason, and we don't need to fear acknowledging it or feeling it. The more we are able to accept how we are feeling and process it, the sooner we will move into new emotional territory. As we sit down to allow ourselves to feel our disappointment, we might want to write about the experience of being disappointed—the situation that preceded it, what we were hoping would happen, and what did happen. The gift of disappointment is its ability to bring us into alignment with reality so that we don't get stuck for too long in the realm of how things might have been.

As we consider other disappointments in our life and how we have moved past them, we may even see that in some cases what happened was actually better in the long run than what we had wanted to happen. Disappointment often leaves us feeling deflated with its message that things don't always turn out the way we want. The beauty of disappointment, though, is that it provides us a bridge to its other side where the acceptance of reality, wisdom, and the energy to begin again can be found.

“Maybe Christmas, the Grinch thought,  
doesn't come from a store.”

~ Dr. Seuss




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## Homemade Marshmallow Pops Recipe

Homemade marshmallows are fun to eat on a stick or to stir into your favorite hot chocolate. Their melt-in-your-mouth texture appeals to the young and the young at heart.

Ingredients	-1/2 c. water
-1/2 c. cold water	-1/4 tsp salt
-3 packets unflavored gelatin	-1 tsp almond extract
-2 c. sugar	-1/2 c. confectioners' sugar
-1 c. light corn syrup	-Lollipop sticks

### Directions

- In a large bowl, combine cold water and gelatin; set aside.
- Meanwhile, in a large heavy saucepan over medium heat, combine the sugar, corn syrup, water and salt. Bring to a boil, stirring occasionally. -Cover and cook for 2 minutes to dissolve sugar crystals; uncover and cook on medium-high heat, without stirring, until a candy thermometer reads 240° (soft-ball stage).
- Remove from the heat and gradually add to gelatin. Beat on medium speed for 14 minutes. Add extract; beat 1 minute longer. Meanwhile, sprinkle 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar into a greased 13x9-in. pan.
- With greased hands, spread marshmallow mixture into prepared pan. Top with 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar. Cover and cool at room temperature for 6 hours or overnight.
- Cut 15 snowflakes with a greased 2-1/2-in. snowflake-shaped cookie cutter; toss in remaining confectioners' sugar. If desired, gently press lollipop stick into each snowflake. Store in an airtight container in a cool, dry place.




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**Where does Santa cash his checks?**  
At the snow bank.

**What kind of motorcycle does Santa ride?**  
A Holly Davidson.

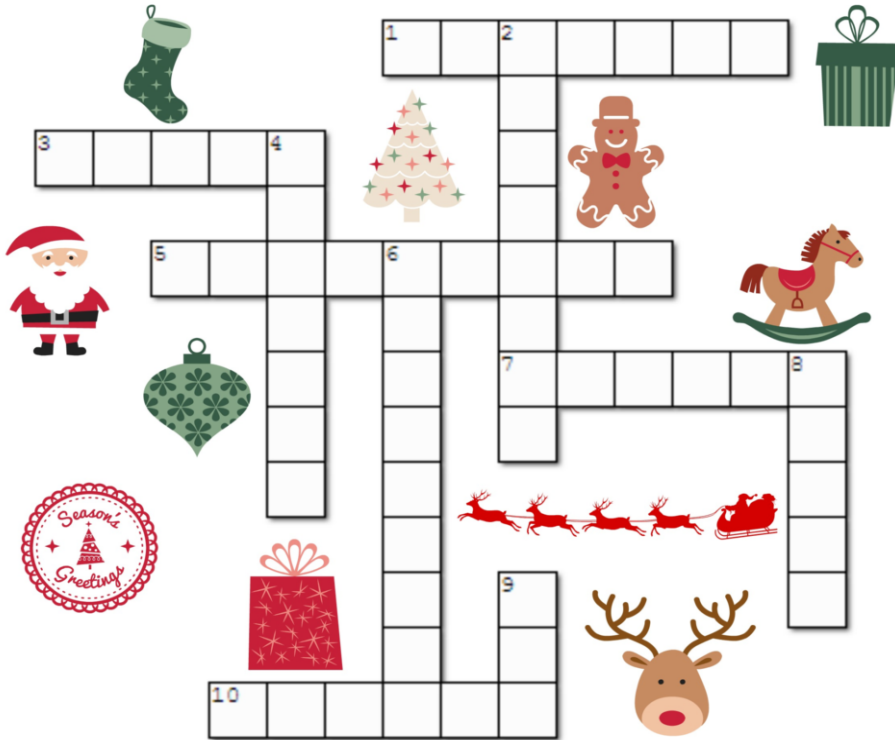
**How much did Santa pay for his sleigh?**  
Nothing - it was on the house!

**What do reindeer have that no other animals have?**  
Baby reindeer!



# CHRISTMAS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

USE THE CLUES TO COMPLETE THE CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



**Across**

- 1. One of Santa's Reindeer
- 3. Santa's Helpers
- 5. December 25th is \_\_\_\_\_.
- 7. Christmas Drink
- 10. The name of a popular snowman.

**Down**

- 2. Christmas Month
- 4. He hates Christmas!
- 6. You hang them by the chimney.
- 8. On Christmas morning we unwrap our \_\_\_\_\_.
- 9. \_\_\_\_\_ to the world!

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GOODNESS GOODNESS <u>NEST</u>	<u>WEIGH</u> PRICED	living SHOESTRING



- Name that Christmas Carol Answers
1. White Christmas
  2. Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire
  3. All I Want for Christmas is My Two Front Teeth
  4. O Holy Night
  5. It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
  6. O Come, All Ye Faithful
  7. Away in a Manger
  8. Deck the Hall
  9. Little Drummer Boy
  10. We Three Kings
  11. Silent Night
  12. God Rest Ye, Merry Gentlemen
  13. Santa Claus is Coming to Town
  14. Let it Snow
  15. Go, Tell It on the Mountain
  16. Rudolph, the Red-nosed Reindeer
  17. What Child is This?
  18. Joy to the World
  19. Hark! The Herald Angels Sing
  20. The Twelve Days of Christmas

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