

Christmas Adventure





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BEFORE READING

Talk together

- Look at the cover and read the title together. Ask: *What do you think this story is about?*
- Ask: *What does Father Christmas do each Christmas? Would you like his job?*
- Look through the book and talk about the pictures.

About the words in this book

- Your child should be able to sound out and blend some words, which may include:

don't old time house
your day made came
here put tomorrow sorry

- Some words may be more challenging. Encourage or model blending, then read the words below to your child if necessary.

oh looked asked
programme disappointed
television special
decorations busy
computer Christmas



DURING READING

Enjoy the story together.
If your child needs support to read the story:

- Remind your child to blend unfamiliar words from left to right.
- If a word is still too tricky, simply say the whole word for your child.
- Re-read sentences to focus on their meaning where necessary.



See the inside back cover
for more ideas.



It was Christmas Eve. The children were excited, but Mum was hot and Dad was cross.

“Christmas is hard work,” said Dad.



Dad put up some decorations. He wanted the children to help, but they didn't want to. They were watching television.



Dad turned off the television.

“Oh!” said Kipper. “We were watching a good programme.”

“It’s time to help,” said Dad.



Just then, Wilf and Wilma came. They had presents for Biff, Chip and Kipper.

“We can help later,” said Chip.



Biff and Chip had presents for Wilf and Wilma.

“Don’t open them until tomorrow,” said Biff.



The magic key began to glow.

“It’s time for a magic adventure,” said Chip. “I hope it’s a Christmas adventure.”



The magic key took the children to the land of Father Christmas.

“Hooray!” said Wilf. “We can tell Father Christmas what to bring us.”



The children were excited. They all wanted special presents.

“I want a new bike,” said Kipper.

“I want a new skateboard,” said Biff.



The children rang the door bell. They rang and rang, but nobody came to the door.

“That’s funny!” said Chip.



The children looked for Father Christmas, but he was not there. There was nobody there.

“Where is everyone?” asked Wilma.



The children were disappointed.

“It’s not fair,” said Chip. “I wanted to ask Father Christmas for a computer.”



The children looked for Father Christmas. They came to his house.
“Maybe he’s in here,” said Kipper.



The children went inside. An old man was asleep in a chair.

“It’s Father Christmas,” said Wilf. “Why is he asleep in a chair?”



Biff looked at the date.

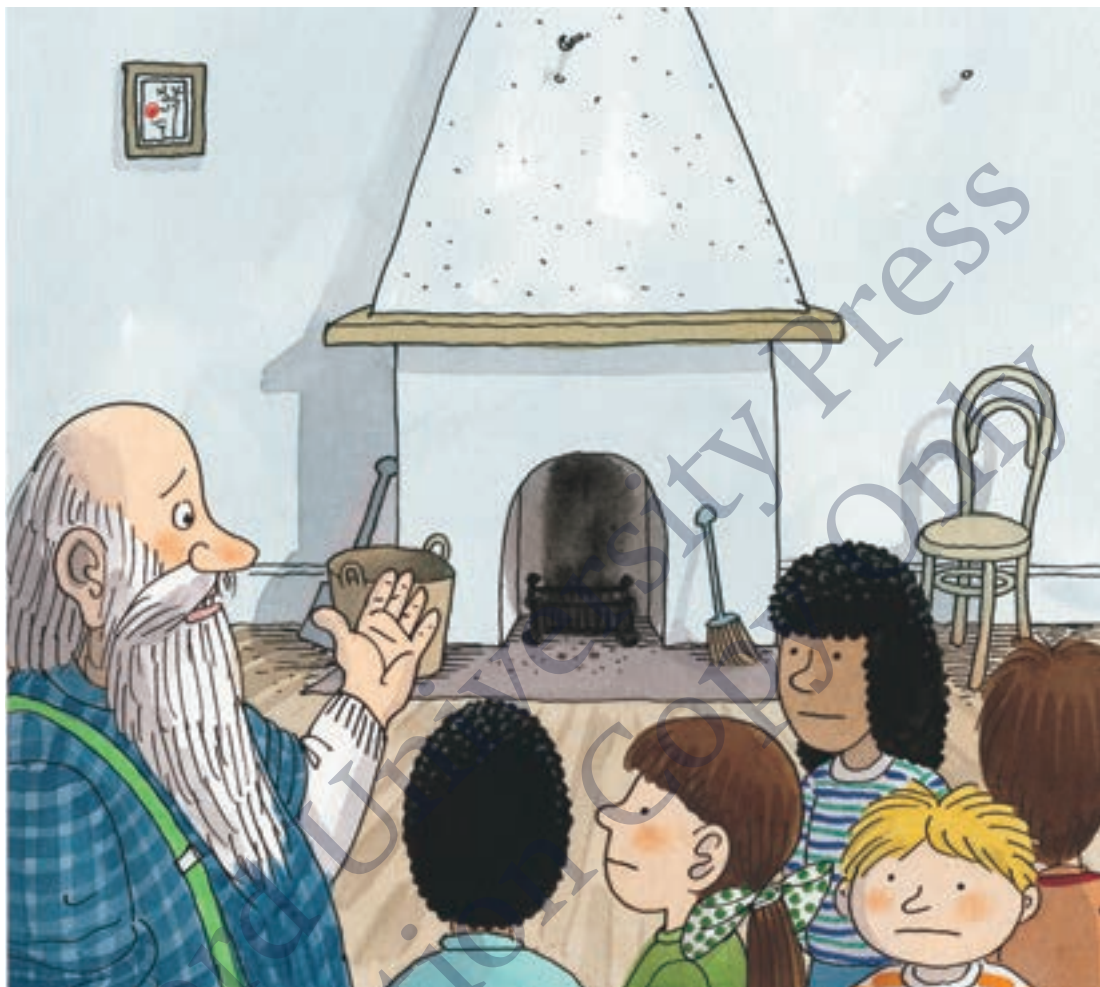
“It’s the 25th of December,” she said.
“Father Christmas must be tired. He’s
been at work all night.”



Suddenly, Father Christmas woke up.

“What are you doing here?” he asked.

“It’s Christmas Day. Did I forget to call at your house?”



Father Christmas hadn't put up his decorations.

"I've been too busy. It's the same every year," he said.



Father Christmas had no Christmas dinner.

“I didn’t have time,” he said. “Children want so many presents.”



The children were sorry for Father Christmas. They found a Christmas tree and put it up.



They found some decorations and put them up.

“I haven’t had decorations up for years,” said Father Christmas.



Wilma and Chip made some strawberry jam sandwiches. Father Christmas found some lemonade and some crackers.



Father Christmas put on his red coat.
“Ho! Ho! Ho!” he laughed.
Everyone cheered.



“Thank you,” said Father Christmas.
“Most children just want things, but you’ve
given me a good Christmas.”



Just then, the key began to glow.

“Happy Christmas,” said everyone.

“Goodbye,” said Father Christmas.

“Thank you for everything.”



The magic took the children home. It was Christmas Eve again.

“What else can we do to help?” asked Chip.

AFTER READING

- Look at the expressions on the faces on page 1. Talk about how each person is feeling and why.
- Look at the sign on page 9. Discuss the different names for *Father Christmas*.
- On pages 10–11, read the bin labels. Ask: *Are all the letters polite?*

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