

Christmas

English



Name: _____

Think and Write: Sweet Little Santa

Use this picture as inspiration to carefully think and write a short paragraph about this lovely festive decoration.



Sentence 1: Include an expanded noun phrase.

Sentence 2: Include the co-ordinating conjunction 'for'.

Sentence 3: Include a possessive apostrophe.

Sentence 4: Include the personal pronoun 'he'.

Sentence 5: Include a fronted adverbial.

Conjunction Chains

Homes around the country are decorated with festive paper chains this Christmas time. However, these chains are broken. Can you write the correct conjunction on each chain to join the clauses back together in time for the festive celebrations?

I was so excited.	_____	I saw my Christmas presents.
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My Grandad fell asleep.	_____	he had eaten his sprouts.
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I got a brand new t-shirt.	_____	I got three pairs of trainers.
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My Mum was shocked.	_____	she loved my choice of present.
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I didn't eat my sprouts.	_____	I did eat my parsnips.
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Would you like chocolates.	_____	would you like crisps?
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Oh no! You've just found a bunch of left over conjunctions with no clauses to link together. Can you write clauses which could be linked by the conjunctions below? The first one has been done for you.

My brother got a scooter	and	my sister got a new toy car.
	but	
	so	
	because	
	if	
	after	

Christmas Word Maze

Find your way through this festive maze by correctly spelling the Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spelling Words correctly. Make sure you make it through the maze before midnight or Santa won't leave you any presents!



e	r	o	r	y		b	e	l	i	e	i	e	d	i
r	o	t	e	s	s	i	v	i		i	m	m	e	d
g	t	s	t	g	i	v	e	e		i	m	m	e	e
t	s	i	h		i	d	m	v	i	m	e	a	t	p
r	g	a		g	d	e	m	e	m	e	d	i	a	t
o	i	r	y		i	d	e		e	a	i	a	t	e
c	d	u	r	y	n	i	d	e	x	p	a	t	e	h
c	r	t	u	n	h	p		e	p	e	e	n		n
c	e	n	t	u	l	a	h	r	e	r	i	c	a	o
r	o	p	m	i		l	a	i	r	i	e	i	o	i
t	r		t	e	s	p	e	c	i		y	s	i	s
a	t	i	t	a	y		c	i	e	l	h	s	s	a
n	i	r	o	v	a	c	i	a	n	y	y	s	a	c
t	t	u	o	v	a	f		e	c	l	y	e	o	c
a	c	c	i	d	e	n	t	a	l	l	y			o

At the time of the birth of Jesus, the gifts from the Wise Men were incredibly important and decadent items. What do you think wise men would give to a baby born today? Design three gifts below and write a sentence explaining why you have chosen each one.

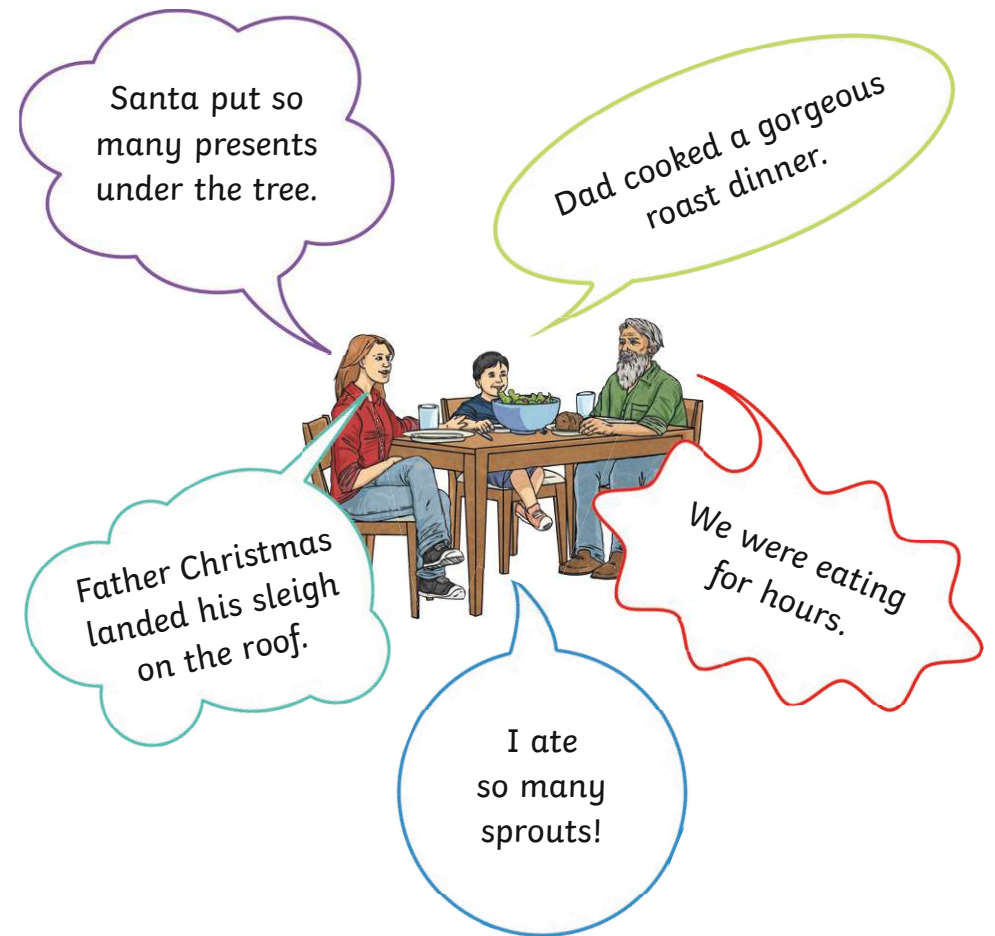
Gift one:

Gift two:

Gift three:

The Perfect (Tense) Christmas Dinner

As Christmas comes around, last year's memories of Christmas dinner soon become reality all over again. Look at the sentences below written in the past tense. Can you re-write them in the present perfect tense to show that they are still happening this year too?



Gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh

The Wise Men took gifts of great expense to celebrate the birth of the baby Jesus. Can you research the gifts they took and write an exciting adjective to describe each one?



Gold















Frankincense



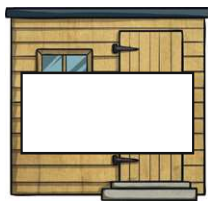



Myrrh

The Official Elf Christmas Eve Event

Last night at the official Elf Christmas Eve Event, our festive friends drank far too many cups of fruit punch and now they can't remember which of Santa's workshops they live in! Can you write three words on the elves which fit with the prefix of their workshop?

	 _____	 _____	 _____
	 _____	 _____	 _____
	 _____	 _____	 _____

Some silly elves got a bit too giddy and took the name off their workshop door. Which prefix must this workshop have had? Write it on the door.

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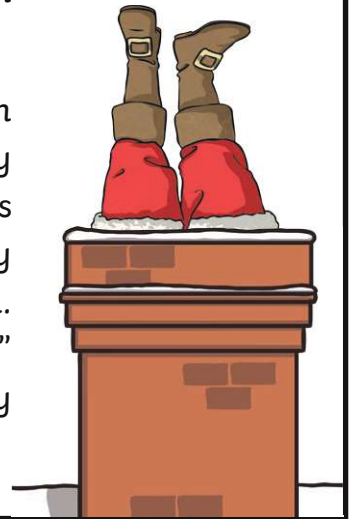
Breaking News: Santa Stuck Up Chimney

When Santa got stuck up the chimney, he didn't want everyone reading all about it. Unlucky for him, reporters were on the scene to report straight to general public. Read the newspaper article below and underline all of the fronted adverbials.

Last night, the nation was in a state of shock as they found out that Santa had become stuck up a chimney. Unbelievably, everyone's favourite fellow became lodged in the Smith family's chimney after eating one too many mince pies. The nation was aghast. At the scene, TV cameras and local reporters began to gather.

All they could see was two big, brown boots pointing towards the sky.

Disappointingly, the rescue took much longer than planned. Completely exhausted, Father Christmas was pulled from the chimney in a filthy state after the three-hour ordeal. "Maybe I'll start using doors instead," he proposed, clearly embarrassed by the media attention.



Santa was so embarrassed that he deleted half of the sentences below to stop the news getting out. Can you complete each sentence with a fronted adverbial so the newspaper can go to print?



1. _____, the Smith family heard banging coming from the fireplace.
2. _____, they phoned the fire brigade to free him.
3. _____, Santa sneezed all of the soot out of his nose.
4. _____, his cheeks turned a bright shade of red.

The Queen's Speech

Every Christmas Day since 1952, Queen Elizabeth has appeared on television and radio to give a special message to the world. Below is a recount written by the cameraman who filmed the Queen's speech last year. Can you correctly punctuate the recount, including using inverted commas?



queen elizabeth appeared into the room at her spectacular exquisite palace her crown glistened in the lights set up for the filming good day to you all she greeted as she approached the throne on which she would make her speech i wish to introduce myself to you she said humbly i am elizabeth what is your name she asked looking right at me i did not know what to do i bowed politely and whispered my name is steven your majesty i almost did not dare to look at her so i lowered my gaze the glorious queen began her speech saying my dear citizens...

Year 4 Christmas English Activity Booklet Answers

Activity	Answers and Guidance
<p>Think and Write: Sweet Little Santa</p>	<p>Example answers:</p> <p>Sentence 1: The tiny, cute Santa statue held a little, black hammer.</p> <p>Sentence 2: He had been working hard for Christmas was quickly approaching.</p> <p>Sentence 3: In Santa's hand was a little toy train.</p> <p>Sentence 4: He had made the train for a little girl in England.</p> <p>Sentence 5: Carefully, Santa put the finishing touches to all of his presents.</p>
<p>Conjunction Chains</p>	<p>I was so excited when/because/as/for I saw my Christmas presents.</p> <p>My Grandad fell asleep before/after/when he had eaten his sprouts.</p> <p>I got a brand new t-shirt and I got three pairs of trainers.</p> <p>My Mum was shocked but/yet/however she loved my choice of present.</p> <p>I didn't eat my sprouts nor did I eat my parsnips.</p> <p>Would you like chocolates or would you like crisps?</p> <p>Example answers:</p> <p>I enjoyed my parsnips but I did not like my sprouts.</p> <p>I finished my dinner so I got to play outside.</p> <p>I was happy because my family all came to see me.</p> <p>I would not have got any presents if I wasn't a good boy.</p> <p>My Dad fell asleep after he had eaten.</p>
<p>The Perfect (Tense) Christmas Dinner</p>	<p>Santa has put so many presents under the tree.</p> <p>I have eaten so many sprouts!</p> <p>We have been eating for hours.</p> <p>Father Christmas has landed his sleigh on the roof.</p> <p>Dad has cooked a gorgeous roast dinner.</p>

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<p>The Queen’s Speech</p>	<p>Queen Elizabeth appeared into the room at her spectacular, exquisite palace. Her crown glistened in the lights set up for the filming. “Good day to you all,” she greeted as she approached the throne on which she would make her speech. “I wish to introduce myself to you,” she said humbly. “I am Elizabeth. What is your name?” she asked, looking right at me. I did not know what to do. I bowed politely and whispered, “My name is Steven, Your Majesty.” I almost did not dare to look at her so I lowered my gaze. The glorious queen began her speech saying, “My dear citizens...”</p>
<p>The Official Elf Christmas Eve Event</p>	<p>Example answers: dis-: disappoint, disagree, disobey. mis-: misbehave, mislead, misspell. in-: inactive, incorrect, independent. The workshop’s name is re- : redo, refresh, reappear</p>
<p>Gifts of Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh</p>	<p>Example adjectives: Gold: expensive, precious, shiny Frankincense: sticky, scented, rough. Myrrh: smelly, natural, edible.</p>

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START

FINISH

The maze contains the following words:

- everybody
- rotte
- stg
- idm
- gde
- id
- expateh
- peen
- centulahrericario
- ropmilat
- trtespec
- ttaycie
- nlrovacianyy
- ttuovafeclyeoc
- accidentallyo