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# FESTIVE PARTY



  
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# WELCOME TO THE FESTIVE FUN

The holiday season is a special time to celebrate, reminisce, and enjoy fun activities with friends and fellow residents. This book is packed with festive games, puzzles, crafts, recipes, and memory prompts to make your Christmas and New Year celebrations joyful and interactive.

Inside, you'll find:

- Bingo and word searches with festive themes to challenge your brain.
- Fun recipes you can try or enjoy with your friends.
- Creative crafts and colouring pages to decorate your space and make memories.
- Reminiscence prompts to share your favourite holiday stories and experiences.

Whether you are solving puzzles, playing games, or just enjoying a cozy moment with a cup of hot apple punch, this book is designed to bring cheer, laughter, and a sense of togetherness.

Let's make this holiday season bright, warm, and full of festive fun!





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# ON THE MENU

## Starters/Snacks:

- Mini Cheese Toasties
- Savoury Puff Pastries (cheese & spinach)
- Crispy Roasted Chestnuts

## Main Course Options:

- Roast Turkey or Chicken with Seasonal Vegetables
- Honey-Glazed Ham Slices
- Vegetarian Nut Roast with Cranberry Sauce

## Desserts & Sweet Treats:

- Festive Pudding Cups (mini Christmas pudding with cream)
- Shortbread Biscuits (easy to decorate)
- Festive Cheese Board

## Interactive Recipe Activities:

- Decorating Shortbread or Biscuits
- Stirring and tasting Hot Apple Punch





## DRINKS:

### Hot Spiced Apple Punch (non-alcoholic)

- Warm apple juice, cinnamon sticks, orange slices, cloves.
- Serve in mugs – the smell creates a festive atmosphere.

### New Year's Sparkling Mocktail

- Lemonade + ginger ale + cranberry juice.
- Garnish with an orange slice or cherry.

### Hot Chocolate with Marshmallows

- Mugs of hot chocolate, topped with whipped cream and mini candy canes



# RECIPES

## HOT SPICED APPLE PUNCH

### Ingredients:

- 1 litre apple juice
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 2 orange slices
- 4 cloves

### Instructions:

- Pour apple juice into a pan.
- Add cinnamon sticks, orange slices, and cloves.
- Heat gently (do not boil).
- Serve warm in mugs.
- Optional: top with a slice of orange or a cinnamon stick for decoration.



## SHORTBREAD BISCUITS

### Ingredients:

- 250g butter, softened
- 125g sugar
- 375g plain flour
- Optional: sprinkles or sugar for decoration

### Instructions:

- Preheat oven to 160°C (320°F).
- Cream butter and sugar together until light.
- Gradually add flour and mix into a soft dough.
- Roll out and cut into festive shapes (stars, trees, bells).
- Bake for 15–20 minutes until lightly golden.
- Cool, then decorate if desired.



# INTERACTIVE GAMES

## FESTIVE BINGO

### HOW TO PLAY!

- Each player gets a bingo card.
- Cards have a 5×5 grid with numbers.
- The caller prepares the numbers.
- Use the Christmas symbols
- Write them on slips, put them in a bag, or use a number generator.

The game begins:

- The caller draws one number at a time and announces it aloud.
- Example: "Christmas Tree"
- Players mark their cards.
- If the number is on your card, mark it (with a token, pen, or sticker).

Winning patterns:

- The goal is to complete a line:
- Horizontal (row)
- Vertical (column)
- Diagonal

Calling Bingo!

- When a player completes the winning pattern, they shout "BINGO!"
- The caller checks the card to confirm the numbers.

Prize or celebration:

- Give a small prize or applause to the winner.
- Clear cards and play another round!



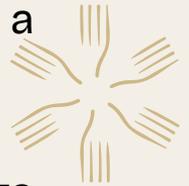
				
				
				
				
				





## TRIVIA

1. What colour is Santa Claus's traditional suit?
2. Which plant is commonly kissed under at Christmas?
3. How many reindeer pull Santa's sleigh (not including Rudolph)?
4. What sweet treat is shaped like a cane and popular at Christmas?
5. In which country did the tradition of putting up a Christmas tree originate?
6. Which holiday beverage is often made with eggs, milk, sugar, and nutmeg?
7. Who wrote the story "A Christmas Carol"?
8. What fruit is traditionally placed in Christmas stockings?
9. Which song begins with "Jingle bells, jingle bells.."?
10. On New Year's Eve, people often make a promise for the coming year. What is this called?





## FESTIVE JOKES

Why was the snowman looking through the carrots?

What do you call Santa when he takes a break?

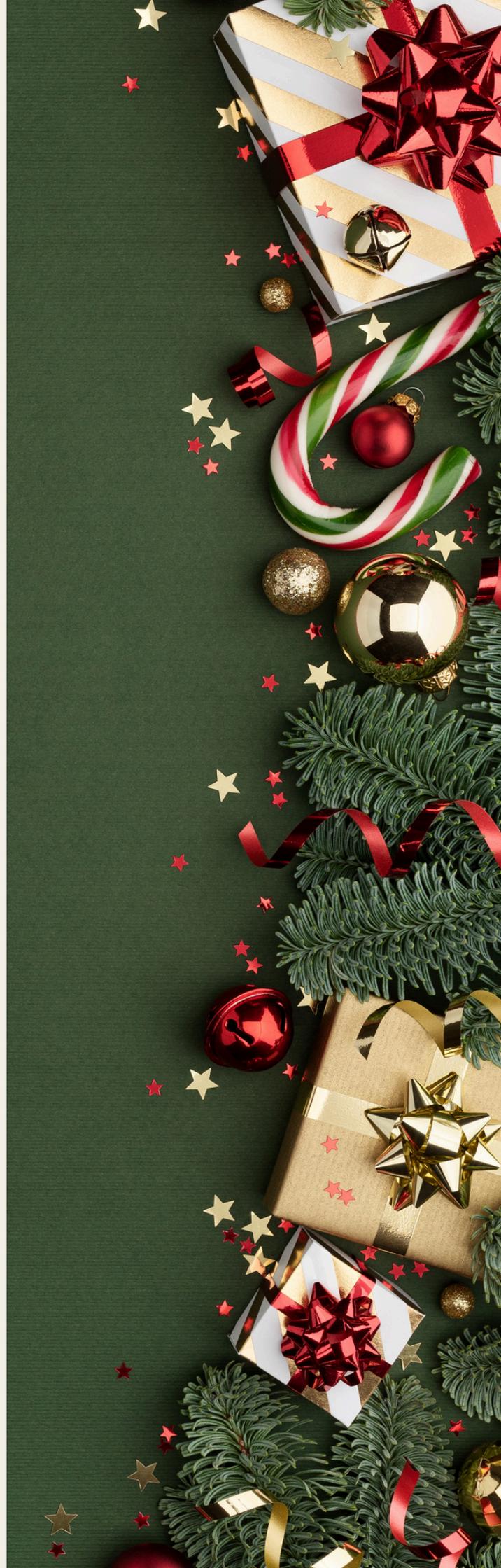
Why was the turkey at the party so proud?

## NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION ICEBRAKER

Each person shares a fun resolution (serious or silly, e.g., "Eat more cake," "Dance once a week").



Can be written down and put on a communal "Resolution Board."



# SINGALONG

## SILENT NIGHT

(Words by Joseph Mohr, Music by Franz Gruber – 1818, Austria)

### Verse 1

Silent night, holy night  
All is calm, all is bright  
Round yon Virgin, Mother and Child  
Holy infant so tender and mild  
Sleep in heavenly peace,  
Sleep in heavenly peace

### Verse 2

Silent night, holy night  
Shepherds quake at the sight  
Glories stream from heaven afar  
Heavenly hosts sing Alleluia  
Christ the Saviour is born,  
Christ the Saviour is born

### Verse 3

Silent night, holy night  
Son of God, love's pure light  
Radiant beams from Thy holy face  
With the dawn of redeeming grace  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth,  
Jesus, Lord, at Thy birth

"Silent Night" (originally Stille Nacht) was first performed in Austria on Christmas Eve in 1818. The lyrics were written by Joseph Mohr, a young priest, and the melody was composed by Franz Xaver Gruber. It was sung for the very first time in a small church in Oberndorf, accompanied only by a guitar. Since then, it has become one of the most beloved Christmas carols worldwide.



# SINGALONG

## AULD LANG SYNE

(Traditional Scottish, words by Robert Burns – 1788)

### Verse 1

Should old acquaintance be forgot  
And never brought to mind?  
Should old acquaintance be forgot  
And auld lang syne?

### Chorus

For auld lang syne, my dear,  
For auld lang syne,  
We'll take a cup o' kindness yet,  
For auld lang syne.

### Verse 2

And surely you'll buy your pint cup,  
And surely I'll buy mine!  
And we'll take a cup o' kindness yet  
For auld lang syne.

### Chorus

For auld lang syne, my dear,  
For auld lang syne,  
We'll take a cup o' kindness yet,  
For auld lang syne.

"Auld Lang Syne" is a traditional Scottish song, with words adapted by poet Robert Burns in 1788. The title roughly translates to "old long since" or "for old time's sake." It is sung at the stroke of midnight on New Year's Eve as a way of bidding farewell to the old year and welcoming in the new. The song is about friendship, memories, and the passage of time.



# FESTIVE CHARADES

Photocopy and cut out the cards for all that want to play!

HANGING  
STOCKINGS

MAKING  
SNOW  
ANGELS

SITTING ON  
SANTAS LAP

OPENING  
PRESENTS

CHRISTMAS  
CAROLLING

SANTA GOING  
DOWN THE  
CHIMNEY

SNOWBAL  
L  
FIGHT

SNOWMAN

DECORATE  
THE TREE

NEW YEAR  
COUNT  
DOWN

POPPING THE  
BUBBLY

Kiss at  
Midnight





# FESTIVE CHARADES

## HOW TO PLAY

- Split players into two teams.
- Decide how long each turn will be (e.g. 1 minute per turn).
- The first player picks a slip of paper.
- Without speaking, they must act out the word or phrase for their team to guess.
- They can use gestures, body movements, and facial expressions.
- They cannot talk, mouth words, or point to objects in the room.
- The team guesses until they get the right answer or time runs out.
- Each correct guess earns the team 1 point.
- Teams take turns until everyone has had a go, or until the words run out.



# CREATIVE FUN

## BAUBLE TEMPLATE DECORATING

### What You Need:

- Bauble templates printed on card or sturdy paper
- Scissors
- PVA glue or craft glue
- Glitter (variety of colours)
- Paints and brushes
- Tissue paper in festive colours
- Ribbon or string for hanging
- Optional: sequins, stickers, or other decorations
- Hole punch (for hanging)

### Step-by-Step Instructions:

#### Step 1 – Cut out your bauble

Carefully cut along the lines of your bauble template.

Take your time to make smooth edges – ask for help if needed.

#### Step 2 – Apply glue

Use a brush or glue stick to spread glue on areas you want to decorate.

You can cover the whole bauble or create patterns.

#### Step 3 – Add glitter

Sprinkle glitter over the glued areas.

Shake off excess glitter onto a tray or scrap paper.

#### Step 4 – Paint your bauble

Use bright festive colours like red, green, gold, or silver.

Paint patterns such as stripes, polka dots, stars, or swirls.

Allow paint to dry completely.

#### Step 5 – Apply tissue paper (optional)

Cut tissue paper into small shapes or pieces.

Stick them onto the bauble with a little glue to create layers and texture.

#### Step 6 – Add finishing touches

Stick on sequins, beads, or stickers for extra sparkle.

Make sure all decorations are secure and dry before handling.

#### Step 7 – Punch a hole and attach ribbon

Use a hole punch at the top of the bauble.

Thread ribbon or string through the hole and tie a loop for hanging.

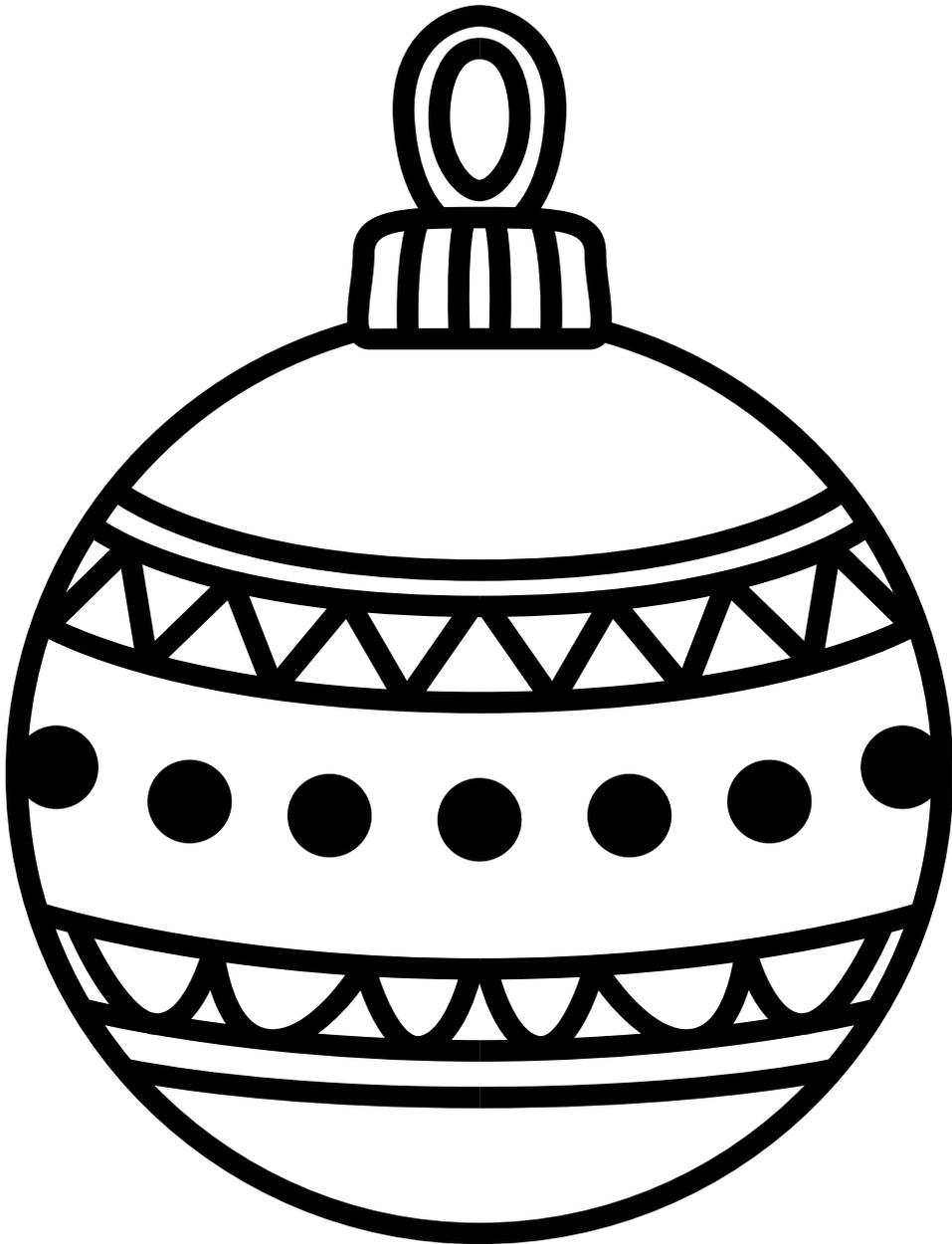
#### Step 8 – Hang your bauble

Decorate your Christmas tree, hang on a window, or place around your room.

Step back and admire your beautiful, personalized creation!



# COLOURING



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# BRAIN TEASERS

## ANAGRAMS

TASNA.....

FEL.....

ARTS.....

SERPENT.....

REDNEREI.....

GNIKSCOT.....

SOME TITLE.....

WANSOMN.....



## NEW YEAR NUMBER PUZZLE

**Challenge:** Use 2, 0, 2, 6 to make different totals.

**Goal:** See how many different totals you can make!



# WORDSEARCH

S	T	O	C	K	I	N	G	R
N	A	P	U	D	D	I	N	G
E	B	E	L	L	S	S	A	N
R	E	I	N	D	E	E	R	T
A	T	R	E	E	P	R	E	S
S	A	N	T	A	N	G	E	L
P	R	E	S	E	N	T	S	N

ANGEL  
PUDDING  
STOCKING

TREE  
BELLS  
REINDEER

PRESENT  
SANTA



# REMINISANCE & CONVERSATION

## MEMORY PROMPTS CARDS

What was your  
favourite  
Christmas gift  
as a child?

Did you ever  
go carol  
singing?

Do you  
remember your  
first New Year's  
Eve party?

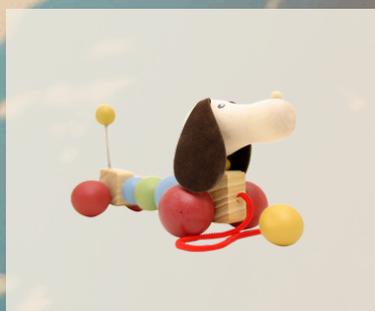
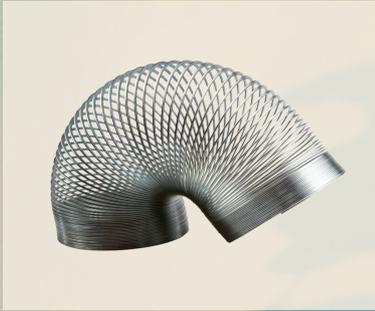
What is your  
most  
memorable  
Christmas  
meal?

Did your family  
have any  
special holiday  
traditions?

What was  
Christmas like  
during  
wartime?



## OLD CHRISTMAS TOYS



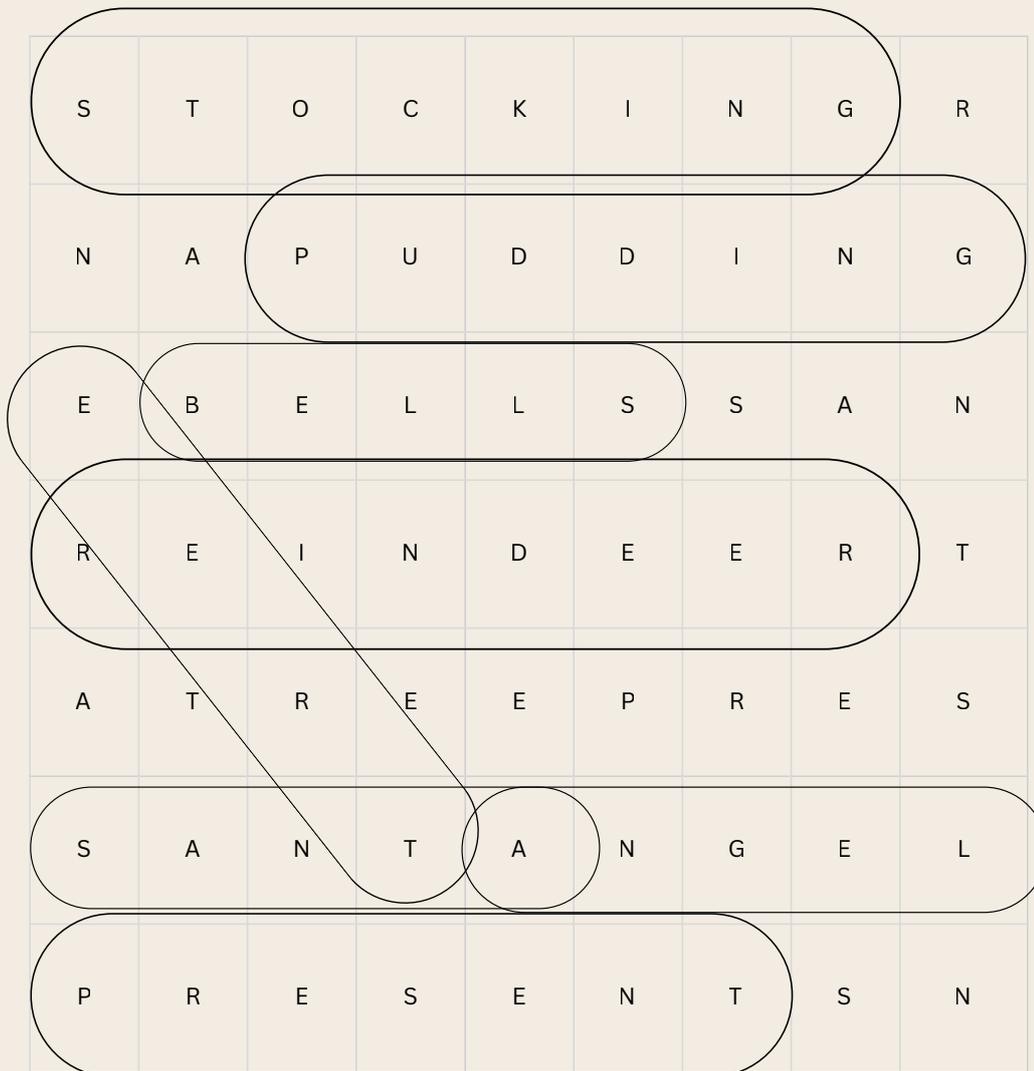
Have fun discussing the toys you received as children! How do they compare with toys these days?



**SPACE FOR NOTES/DRAWINGS:**



# ANSWERS



## Trivia

- 1.Red
- 2.Mistletoe
- 3.Eight
- 4.Candy cane
- 5.Germany
- 6.Eggnog
- 7.Charles Dickens
- 8.Orange
- 9.Jingle Bells
- 10.New Year's resolution

## Anagrams

- 1.Santa
- 2.Elf
- 3.Star
- 4.Present
- 5.Reindeer
- 6.Stocking
- 7.Mistletoe
- 8.Snowman

## Jokes;

- 1.He was picking his nose
2. Santa Pause.
- 3.Because it was stuffed!





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