

Letters from and to Santa Claus and essays about What Christmas Means to Them from Eldon, High the Snows

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# Santa Claus writes to students

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By Eldon High School student council members

Dear Eldon kids,

NORTH POLF

you have been on my list this been keeping an eye on you. vear.

behavior have made me so proud.

Eve., delivering presents to all the good boys and girls.

Make sure to leave me cookies and milk and maybe even treats for the reindeer. Sending you warm wishes,

Santa Claus Dear Child,

you excited for my arrival? with you kids this year. My eleves and I have been busy in the North Pole getting guys' favorite toys. ready to visit all the good little boys and girls.

My reindeer are busy getting the sleigh ready. treats you guys leave for me. Remember, the best part of Santa gets very hungry. the holiday is spending time with family.

Ho ho ho! Santa's here Santa Claus here, wishing reporting live from the North you a Holly Jolly Christmas! I Pole! I hope you've been extra just wanted to let you know good this year, because I've

heard some very I've Your kindness and good impressive things about you. Remember, the most important thing is to spread I'll be flying right over your joy and kindness this holiday guys' houses on Christmas season. Keep being awesome. I'll be watching, Santa Claus

#### Dear Children.

Christmas is around the corner, me and my elves have been hard at work! Don't ypi worry, I have checked my list It's almost Christmas. Are twice and I am very happy

Mv elves are finishing you

I hope you will be pleased with their work.

I can't wait to get all your

Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night! HO HO HO.



Eldon High School and Middle School choirs go caroling in the community. They are pictured at Rock Island Village

#### I'll be watching you, Santa Claus

Dear Eldon kids. The elves and I have been you and your siblings are other reindeer. good.

I'll be watching, Santa Claus

Dear Child.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

wear size 2.

the world.

from your sleigh.

year.

Day.

been nice this year.

and baby food and toys.

I have been good, but there

I have a lot of stuff in my

For Christmas I want a set

Also, I want one of the bells

Love, your friend Grace

is a lot of stuff I want this

Santa Claus Dear Believer, It's almost time for me to so busy making gifts for you pack up my sleigh and hit the

> I have been keeping my nice list on me at all times and boys and girls all over the you've Mrs. Claus and I are watching world. all the things you are doing.

peeking! Also, make sure to

the nice list. HO HO HO!

Remember to go to bed

early on Christmas Eve. No

The reindeer and I can't

Santa Claus the North Pole.

Dear Child,

Dear Santa,

latte one.

home.

funny!

Kaylee scooter ad a bike.

Dear Santa,

this year, haven't I?

Dear Santa,

It is one of my favorite holi-

Here are some things I

want for Christmas - a sketch

book, a few outfits, new shoes,

art supplies like paint and

I love this time of year be-

I wonder if elves go to

Where did you get your red

Our elf Peppermint is so

have been kind and respect-

Peppermint is hanging on

Payton Hinshaw

hat, black belt and your sack?

time with my elf and family.

days ever. Also, thank you for

Ho Ho Ho! It's Santa Claus Christmas Eve. Well, let me Christmas Eve! leave out carrots for all my here, and I just wanted to let tell you a little secret. I'm like and your friends. Make sure skies with Rudolph and all the reindeer and cookies and milk you know that I've been a Ninja in a red suit. But just for me. We get very hungry keeping an eye on you this to make you laugh, I might delivering toys to all the good year. And let me tell you, leave a few cookie crumbs been absolutely behind next time. hilarious!

Remember Santa loves a Your jokes and funny faces good laugh, so keep being As of right now, you are on wait to visit you on Christmas. have brought so much joy to your silly, goofy self. Don't

forget to leave some extra funny jokes for me with the to catch me in action on milk and cookies on

Sending you lots of laughter and Christmas Cheer!

Santa Claus

I have been really good this paper. She is the best!

I heard you've been trying

#### Dear Santa.

If you can get a hoverboard, sending us Peppermint. She that would be so nice. And

#### Dear Santa,

Hello Santa. I really want a markets. Lastly I really want horse.

Look Santa and see if I am green or lavender purple. on the nice or naughty list. McKenzie Shoemate Hollynd

#### Dear Santa,

cause I get to spend so much mas again! Christmas is the a mini Kirin, socks, plants best time of the year! What do and toys, lots of toys. I rally you like about Christmas?

I think I have been good blankets, mostly everything!

I want a new phone case school is so cute! I hope she is nite and Spiderman. Eden plushes, a LED lamp, lava and a little life Pet my Puppies reporting good things to you! I have an elf and her name is Elfy! We'll see you on December 25<sup>th</sup>. Have a safe trip!

Dear Santa,

good this year. I really hope I want a phone because I I've been good enough.

ful. I also wanta hoverboard, naughty, but I think I've been mini sport games. good enough.

Santa, what I want for

the Christmas tree with toilet Christmas is a Nintendo, a Chazard box, a monitor and Haven elite trainer boxes.

#### Sam

Dear Santa,

I have been as good as I can be this year, so I will tell you Emmett what I want for Christmas.

I want the top three hatchamals, little live pets and last, but not least, a Stanley cup - the color can be jade

Olivia Zumdome

#### Dear Santa,

I have been a good girl this I am so excited it's Christ- year. I will like for Christmas want to give my little brother I like the cuddles, music, Spiderman and my big brother Fortnite. And I would Our elf (Peppermint) at like to give them lots of Fort-

Harper

Dear Santa.

I want a lot for Christmas, Quincy but here are the top five things.

First, I want to get basket-Santa, I have been really ball items. Second, I want a basketball.. Third, I want Chiefs gear. Fourth, I want I know I've been a little Mizzou gear. And last, I want

Chasen

**Eldon third graders** Dear Santa, had a Mario Wonder Switch

Merry Christmas. I have game. I want a rubber baby and a presents, and I hope you put COD Vanguard. PS 5 and a baby bottle and candy in our stockings.

baby, clothes, diapers, a car seat, a binky, baby blankets the tree. You are my best in toilet paper? Her name is friend and I can't wait to see Peppermint. Mae you.

I can help you deliver presents. You are the best. Bryson

Dear Santa,

room, so I don't have an idea. me, Eden, but if you didn't it that you give presents to kids. So just get me what you can. I is okay.

got a list of stuff at my house What I want is top secret, and I am going to leave extra so before I dive right in, I stuff when it is Christmas want to ask you an important question. Do you know Coco ing a letter to you. This is school. Camden the elf?

boots with clutches.

of bongos and some heelies. I Dear Santa.

I love Christmas. You get to Hi. You should bring me spend lots of time with family presents because I've been and friends. Also we're learn- good, kind, respectful and I ing about Christmas around get good grades.

Did you know Pere Noel makeup and bold. Please and means Santa Claus in French? thank you.

#### Dear Santa,

I love that we have an elf

watching us and I hope I'm I hope you come. I wish I not on the naughty list.

What I want for Christmas year and I can't wait for ame. is a \$100 Xbox 1 gift card, a Christmas. I hope you bring so much new controller for X Box 1 and It is one

Did you know the elf Please put presents under wrapped our Christmas tree is the first class elf I have had. also a new headset.

Blake Chakes

Dear Santa,

You are my hero. You are squishmallows, especially the the best! Who doesn't like you? I

You probably knew that it is sure do though. And I like Colt

Dear Santa,

This is Phoenix. I am writwhat I want for Christmas. All I really want are cowgirl It's long, but first we have Army men toys, Sonic lamp and a pug.

I want a baby doll for

Christmas and some makeup For Christmas I want because I like to put it on.

I want to have fun and spend time with my family Caroline because they mean a lot to me and I have been good.

Phoenix

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa, I hope your elves are working hard. I want a remote for my Xbox, Oculus, a five in one Transformer toy and a transformer.

Dear Santa.

monster truck for Christmas are working hard. this year. Can you paint it blue wrap presents?

please. I hope you have a Merry Christmas. Easton Cook

Dear Santa,

I tried to be good this year. elves are wrapping presents. Merry Christmas. Bryson

#### Dear Santa,

I have been good. I want a new stuffy and new toys. I hope you have a good time at the North Pole. I hope on Christmas you like my cookies. Merry Christmas.

Cox

#### Dear Santa,

I want a remote control spider, a remote control snake and a remote control car. Can you paint it blue? I

hope you will come to my house.

#### Zachery Burgess

Dear Santa.

I hope you have a good chain. Christmas. I want an X Box 1. Christmas. Laymar

Dear Santa, I hope the elves are busy

wrapping presents for my wish list. I want a cry baby newborn

mommy, a traveling case and Christmas.

#### Dear Santa,

I hope you have a good Christmas. I have been good.

want a bottle. Merry Christmas. Emmarie

#### Dear Santa,

I hope that your reindeer are working hard and I hope your elves are working hard are well. too

rainbow stuffed fox and a play

house. Merry Christmas. Charlotte

Dear Santa, I hope you have a good Christmas. I tried to be good. gifts. Can you please bring me Stetson I would like a remote control snake. I liked last year's presents. I I have been good this year. would also like some long I would like a remote control socks. I hope that the reindeer Are the elves helping you

> I know an elf named Chippy.

> > Dear Santa,

I hope you have the best I want three shirts and a hay Christmas ever. I want a ring for my feed. I hope the candy cane, elite junior bike and can y elves are wrapping presents. Pokeymon pack and a Trans- hot tub please. former please. I have been good this year. Merry Christmas.

#### **Everett James Fulks**

Dear Santa,

I want my family to have a see my mom and Paul be please. happy. I want to have a good and

jolly Christmas with my mom, Paul, my brother, my sister, grandparents and my dad. Lydia Armes

#### Dear Santa, Thank you for all the fun years of Christmas joy. I am proud of this holiday for all the fun it brings my family. I would like an orange key

a chess board and a kitchen want my family to be healthy venture Agents on the coop for Christmas please. Merry and to have fun this Christmas.

#### Dear Santa,

I hope you get this letter because I want an excavator and a log truck. And have a good time putting presents under our a Gabby's dollhouse. Merry tree. Please be safe when fly- a pit bike, gear, iPhone and Mercilyne Have a good Christmas. Isaac Wininger

#### Dear Santa,

I want a Gabby doll and I elves. I like it when you give very good. me presents. Can you please bring me a toy puppy?

> Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs.

I want lights for my bed, a a bike and a baby doll set. Klaira Barbour

Claus? I hope your reindeer

#### Dear Santa,

Do you want to play with me? Thank you Santa for the

a Sonic? Peyton

#### Dear Santa,

Can you please bring me a train?

Ruger Dear Santa, Can you bring me a doll Hugh house and doctor set? Hale

#### Dear Santa,

How are you? I want a dirt bike and can you bring me a I will leave you cookies.

Kasen

#### Dear Santa,

you feeling good? Can you please bring me a

good Christmas and want to scooter? Also, a dog too Christmas! Grady

Dear Santa, please get me these things? A

pair of heelies, phone and TV. iPhone and watch. Merry Christmas. Love, your grandchild.

Betty Santa!

#### Dear Santa,

list? If you did not, here it is. I would like a Lego set, Ad-Most importantly, I just venture Agents plushy, Adcase sweat shirt, hover board Leita Armes you on Christmas!

Thank you for the elves. Merry Christmas Santa. Ramsey

Dear Santa, How are the reindeer? For Christmas I would like ing around in your sleigh. tablet. Merry Christmas to all! Cash

#### Dear Santa,

I hope I get a gift from you. I love when you send your The elf in our classroom is

I hope Austin has no seizues because I love him. Zoe Parks Please help Austin with his second quarter. This year I seizures.

Dear Santa,

Christmas is coming soon. Could you please bring me I'm sorry my baby brother touched the elf.

How are you doing? Are fluffy panda diary and a gloves. tablet. God bless you and Merry my dogs because he is annoy-

Leia

ing.

Lennon

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

I really want a lot of gifts. Christmas is soon! Will you This is my Christmas list: I want an X Box, bean bag, mas. Jesus is God's son.

> I can't wait to see what you not listening to my parents. give me. Merry Christmas pack accessories, and I really

Kole want my Grandpa back. He's The following are Santa gone, I miss him. His name is Did you get my Christmas Claus letters from Eldon Larry. Upper Elementary third grade students in Mrs. Jungmeyer's class.

#### Dear Santa,

This year I want an electric to get me a Nerf gun and a and heelies. And I want to see scooter for Christmas. I wish I Sonic 4 Silver, and a dog and Christmas and some books could see Santa Claus and his a 399,999,999, 999,999 and and I was wondering if I could children if he has any. I want to find out what

place he works at the North Pole.

his reindeer.

#### Dear Santa,

Sincerely, Ella Hinds and a wolf mask and tail. If

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that is it.

I want to see his sled and

Sincerely, Beckett

I loved Christmas since I Christmas, because I don't rewas born. This Christmas I ally know what I want for I know I haven't been the best want Taylor Swift tickets to Christmas, but I know I want one of her concerts.

Dear Santa,

This year, I got straight As Merry Christmas. want a hydraulic claw and Di-

Alisha ary of a Wimpy Kid books. Sincerely, Mason

Dear Santa,

I want a scruff-a-love-wash This year I want to ask for a 12 pack of Globbary Prime, a because two of them got lost For Christmas I want a new football and new football and the third one got chewed

Dear Santa,

in your house.

Elementary fifth graders in Chris Yows class.

#### The True Meaning of Christmas By Andrew O'Donnell

gifts you receive. But really a matter of seconds. they don't think about the true meaning of Christmas.

It's very important to think be be happy as well. about all the people who give the best gifts of all.

And the best gift I've ever received is all the wonderful family on holidays, even gets ruined sometime. when I think I'm too old for Christmas I'm really not.

If lots of people think they can solve the true meaning of Christmas on the Internet.

But you really have to think of Christmas. about what matters on Christmas.

It all depends on the It's about staying with your wonderful memories you family and friends and giving and friends.

Most Christmas joy comes special to you. from the heart and lots of people I know really enjoy friends. I love hanging out spending time with their with my family at Christmas. family and friends.

It is important to love all of movie want to spend as much time with you as they possibly can song.

The following essays because they love you so are from Eldon Upper much more than you realize. my favorite person, my papa, Most Christmases are we still have fun, about the joy that spreads

happier the town will be. So, if you make someone reading.

Lots of people think that happy, chances are they'll Christmas is all about the spread that joy with others in They have the same joy so

they just want other people to

They'll possibly spread it to lots of people.

there and lots of people would presents, but not me, I memories that I have with my like to enjoy it as it is before it celebrate for Jesus.

#### By Khloe Fry

there, fellow readers. But this is the true meaning

Everybody thinks it is about

gifts and toys but it is not.

really enjoy with your family something that means a lot to you or give it to somebody

For me, it is my family and

At my mom's, we watch the "Elf" and wear your family because truth be matching pajamas and drink told they really love you the hot cocoa and sing "Grandma same way and they probably Got Ran Over by a Reindeer." That is my family's favorite barn.

At my dad's we bake with

I love watching my "Elf's" around and the more people movie. I believe in Santa with with Christmas jobs, the all my heart. Some might not, celebrate the birth of Jesus. the most important thing and and to have love spread like but I sure do. Thanks for

MERRY Christmas Eldon!

#### **By Baron Chapman**

The reason like T celebrating Christmas is because the food is really good and I like celebrating Jesus's birthday, but some It's a wonderful world out kids just celebrate for the of the year because it is should love your parents so

#### **By Trenten Dinwiddie**

The meaning of Christmas Oh! Hi, I did not see you is to be with family and he wanted us. friends.

To be gathered together and get closer. Christmas is because of Jesus's birthday. He was born the day of commandments.

December 25. It's celebrate to

Christmas/the birth of Jesus. That's why we feast on Christmas because in the times when Jesus was born and family, not all the they feasted.

By Zaden Porter

The meaning of Christmas starts in a small town named long as I am with my family. Bethehem when Mary and My favorite time is when we everyone. Joseph can't find space in an put up the tree and make inn so they stay the night in a cookies. Merry Christmas.

Mary was pregnant with Jesus at the time so she had manger with straw.

brought Thev gold, frankincense and myrrh.

lord and savior.

#### **By Kenzi Bishop**

and it's about donating to homeless people.

Christ didn't want any gifts,

we can go to heaven, not hell. others. He doesn't want us to sin. He wants us to follow the 10

WE LOVE GOD! Christmas Cheer

#### **By Lola West**

Christmas is about friends presents. Half the time, I do not get a lot of presents.

#### **By Xander Tracewell**

So Christmas isn't about Jesus and put him in a toys, it's about joy and cheer is Jesus's birthday and the and you should want to spend best day. And it is about The three wise men came to time with your parents that's spending time with family you guys love presents even if vou don't like your Christmas, family and receive and give. It Also an angel appeared who you should be thankful that is a nice time to come revealed who Jesus was. your parents put money into together. And to remember That's why we celebrate your presents and when you the good memories that you Christmas, to appreciate our ask your parents why you made. And the food is so good don't get presents they might and during dinner we watch say it's about giving.

Or they might say they want Christmas is a special time you to be happy and you Jesus's birthday and it's also much, never wish for new about giving gifts to people parents, they are the parents that love you the most.

#### By Olivia Loehr

He wanted us to be good so is sharing and kindness to

Christmas is a time of joy, love and spending time with friends and family. People family and friends and to think its about toys and sweets, but I love Christmas bring them up when you are because it is a time of delight at the dinner table and to and affection.

Christmastime.

friends and family while church members and the best I do not care for them as eating sweets. I also love thing to do on Christmas decorating the tree with

> What do you love about this time of year and why?

#### **By Emily Adams**

-1111

up by a dog.

box.

Sincerely, Onah Burnett would love that.

I love Christmas. I am so spend time with family and

built in for my cats.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

get those things.

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa.

this year.

mas

I want one of those cat

I want a bungi chair and a

I want a streaming ant.

This year I would like a

Taylor Swift sweater or a Tay-

lor Swift water bottle because

I love Taylor Swift. I think I

Sincerely, Skyann Colbert

I want a BMX bike for

And I am thnakful for

Christmas because it is Je-

sus's birthday and I get to

I hope I am on the nice list.

I want a puppy for Christ-nas and fake crystals,

Babysitter Club books, and a

happy family and some pumpkin pie and chopsticks.

I want to see my dad for

Christmas. I want a dog.

Sincerely, Ireland

Sincerely, Adrian

Sincerely, Hunter Evans

Sincerely, Kayden

Sincerely, Sarah

Rvder

brushes with a laser and a cat

I want to get rid of one of

Jesus was born at Christ-

I know I have been bad and

I really want a guitar, back-

This year I want to ask you

Sincerely, Noah R

excited for the presents and to friends.

see the face of my brother

when he gets a great present.

a giant dragon stuffed animal

you can please get me this for

Christmas. I hope you have a

For Christmas, I want a

phone and a swing that goes

Sincerely, Korra

I don't ask for much for

Sincerely, William

The meaning of Christmas butter for family to go see movies.

#### By Payslie Creason

The real meaning Christmas is to come together as a family or in other words in a group and get to know each other and have a great time and not only to do that The meaning of Christmas but connect with the lord and the day that he was born and to celebrate the time with friends and family.

To sing with your cherished keep those memories and cuddle up by the fire and have This is stuff I love to do at hot chocolate, marshmallows and candy canes and to have I love hanging out with a night singing carols with morning Is to open presents and see the happy little faces of the children and the joy on their faces.



#### **Eldon Upper Elementary Christmas essays: What Christmas** means to me

The following are from fifth grade students in Mrs. Parkhurst's class.

#### The meaning of Christmas to my family By Brooklyn Bennett

have fun by opening presents this time of year is "White Christmas."

One of my family's for Jesus. traditions is to watch "White Christmas."

I love to spend time with Christmas very much. my family and I think it is important to do that this time of year.

Plus to be grateful for what you have. Merry Christmas!

#### The meaning of Christmas by

#### Macey Lee

is not about the presents or good food. gifts. It's about an excited family gathering around the tree. It's about the love in the room. The thing I love most is about Jesus. In my mind it's that it's Jesus's birthday.

evervone Some celebrate Christmas can be a tiny home or a big mansion. Just coming together as a family remember Jesus loves every and spending time together. I single one of you. So, do get presents, but that's not birth. We should always Jesus's birthday. It is not all remember the real meaning of Christmas.

Christmas.

#### The Meaning of Christmas

with family and friends. friends. Christmas is also about vou can see relatives and friends too. make memories.

Christmas. We have to guess time with everyone. what we are going to do.

Last year we watched the Dixie Stampede. Next we have Christmas at home. Then the night of Christmas we go to my grandma's house for Christmas dinner and open presents.

ornament.

The following are from That is what Christmas is fifth grade students in all about. Mrs. Childers class.

#### **By Auria Wilson**

I think Christmas is about Jesus's birth. But we can also dinner and enjoy the holiday. and Christmas day. I also believe it is to favorite songs to sing during love Christmas for many and open gifts under the tree.

> I love Jesus and Christmas best time of the year for is a celebration for him. I love all.

#### **By Brock Bungart**

giving and getting gifts. Also it's more than that.

friends and family. Also having fun with the

**By Lilah Young** I believe that Christmas is about Jesus's birth because Christmas is different for the reason that Christmas birth and give thanks. And don't was made is because of Christmas. Jesus's birthday.

I also believe it's about what it's about for me. I believe that it's about Jesus Jesus. Friends, family and but that's just me. I also love him with all of our hearts. Jesus is all you need for my family, but I love Jesus more.

#### **By Dominick Gentry**

Christmas for me is all Christmas is all about being about seeing family and

It is about giving gifts to giving. Being with family is family and friends and having the most important part so a good dinner with family and

we always go to Branson people are doing and other with my cousins around random stuff. Also, spending

#### **By Oliver Schulte**

Christmas to me is all about family is also important. Jesus's birthday.

We go to church and watch the star. We read the Bible and go to church. We go to get time of getting together with with your family. a Christmas tree and get an

#### By Bailey Wright

Christmas to me is about The meaning of Christmas joining together with family spending time with family to my family is to celebrate and friends to eat a nice and friends on Christmas Eve

When you wake up you'll and singing. One of my celebrate Jesus's birthday. I spend time with your family reasons, one is being with my It's also about baby Jesus's family and friends, and also birth. Christmas is also about having fun. Christmas is the

#### By Jaiden Howard

I like to give to my family I think Christmas is about on Christmas and spend time ving and getting gifts. Also with them. I love when I get to spend time with my grandma It's about having fun with and grandpa. I love when I eat yummy food on Christmas. They are so good. I get good gifts you get and spending gifts and say thank you to all What Christmas means. It time with family and eating of them. This is what I do on Christmas morning.

#### By Judd Abbott

Christmas is the time of year that we get and give gifts. It is also to celebrate Jesus's give thanks to Jesus and eat wonderful.

#### **By Stiles Barklage**

follow December 25. We should love

And we should spend time with our family playing board games and grandparents and open presents.

#### By Alyssa Callahan

means to me? Christmas is showing joy. But of course it's celebrate and be happy about. about spending time with my also about Jesus's birthday. And this what Christmas family and eating desserts. So that's what Christmas means to me. Giving gifts to people makes means to me. them happy.

That's what Christmas means to me. Also Jesus was born on Christmas day and that is the most important. I think spending time with

#### **By Iontas Stewart**

part of showing one's love on Christmas.

Gifting each other and to do that on Christmas.

Christmas is different to

#### **By Madalyn Leslie**

What Christmas means to me is my whole family think, but what Christmas gathering together. I also means to me is spending time think Christmas means giving with family and giving gifts to and receiving gifts from others and getting a few family and friends. Another presents won't hurt either. thing I think Christmas I believe that Christmas is a means is having a big feast traditions. One of my family

Something else T think means is decorating the that tells about the birth of Christmas tree with garland, tinsel and ornaments.

The other thing I think talk about siblings. giving company means a lot Christmas means is having to the person so it's important the feeling of joy and happiness.

Ĉĥristmas means Jesus was other days, but it means to me born. If Jesus wasn't born we What do I think Christmas about loving others or wouldn't have Christmas to Merry Christmas.

#### **By Arabella Eidson**

I don't know what you Families have different MERRY CHRISTMAS!

traditions is every morning in

December until

Christmas Christmas we do an Advent Jesus. Jesus is the reason for Christmas. Now I'm going to

Like most people I bet you have siblings and they are annoying.

I have a trick that will make you appreciate them a little more around the holidays. Send either them or you away for a week, then think to yourself that they will never come back. Then by the end of the week you should be glad to have them back, if not you must really hate your siblings. Now that I gave you a little advice to make your Christmas better and I told

you the meaning of Christmas in my mind, I hope you have a

# Santa letters delivered to the newspaper office

#### Dear Santa.

will be 5 years old soon. I have something special. I will leave tried really hard to be a good milk and cookies for you by years old. I've been pretty milk and cookies for you by I've been good this year. girl. Could you please bring the tree. me an Elsa LEGO castle

Eli a dinosaur. Please bring My name is Valori. I my mommy and daddy

good this year. Could you the tree. I love you Santa! please bring me a dinosaur

Valori a new doll to play with. Dear Santa, My name is Eli and I'm 3 Bring mommy and daddy My name is Robo. My papa milk and cookies for you something special. I will leave calls me that. I am 3 years old. the tree. I love you Santa! Love, Eli

#### Dear Santa,

Could you please bring me a dinosaur pop up tent

something special. I will leave My name is Robo. My papa milk and cookies for you by

#### Robo

Love.

Christmas is about Jesus's family and celebrating Jesus's birth, on about gifts but they are a

Please bring my little brother

Valori

LEGO set? Bring my sister

mommy and daddy my

Dear Santa, Hey Santa. I have two dogs. my room. I want a gas side by I am nice to my friends. How r the elves doing? I want dolls and a doll house. I also want pins.

I am 5 years old. I helped

Which reindeer is your fa-

I want a remote control

I have been a good boy.

I want a remote control

How do you go down the

I have a dog named Tru-

Thank you, Sadie

man. I want a white toy dog

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

Dear Santa,

because I lost it.

Dear Santa

remote car.

pick up trash.

vorite?

car.

ship.

chimney.

Dear Santa, I am six years old. I helped love, Harper my parents put up a Christmas tree. I want a big scooter for my hover board. I want a dry

side.

I want to be good and clean

erase board. I hope you make it here.

Dear Santa, love, Hunter I have a new house. I help with my little sister. How are you doing? I want a Barbie Christmas tree with ornaments. Lynn

Dear Santa, I want shirts for Christmas. Santa, I have been nice to Finnlee Elijah. I help grandpa.

Dear Santa, I have a cat. I help my dad I want a tiny pony. I want a feed the cows. How are you doing? I want a three wheeler. Thank you.

Dear Santa, I am six years old. I was Eon nice to my friends. How bright is Rudolph's nose? I want a motorcycle game. Jack

Dear Santa, I help my mom in my room. Please bring me a phone. Santa, I live in a big house. August What was the biggest tree you a glowing squishmallow for have seen? Benne

> Dear Santa, I am five years old. I clean my room. How are the elves? I want a mermaid doll.

Dear Santa, I am five years old. What is your real name? I want a Bar-I like a gun and work boots. bie, I want a rainbow doll. I Tegan want a new kitchen set. I want a new swing set for orations. outside.

I love you Santa because you make presents. I want a trol snake and a lawn mower. new Barbie house. I want a poppit. I want a new teacher bag. I want a new doll Barbie Gus set.

Dear Santa, I put up my Christmas tree. I cleaned up my toys. Do you like cookies? I want new shoes. Kaylee

Maryn

Dear Santa, I am five years old. I pay attention in school. How are you doing? I want Christmas. I love you Santa. Koren

Dear Santa, I have been a good boy. I want Home for Christmas, Dara I want Cars 3 and Toy Story. I want fish. Nicholas

> Dear Santa, I put up my Christmas tree. I helped my mom put up dec-

Who has the highest tree? I would like a remote con-Waylon





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# What Christmas means to me from fifth grade students at Eugene Cole R-V

class at Eugene Cole R-V mas. What Christmas means to me...

#### By MaeLee A.

would still go outside and tions. play with my brother.

When I was younger I always thought that Christmas was just about opening presents. But as I got older. It to me.

### to me.....

#### **By Aaliayah**

and friends. I love seeing peo- beautiful so cherish every ple be happy because that moment. makes me happy.

I love when it snows on christmas day because we can go sledding and build a snowman or make snowballs or he did just so we could have and all that stuff. It is for our presents and happiness. I savior Jesus. love it when my grandma and lights every year.

#### What Christmas means to me..... By Jaden

that is why I like Christmas.

care about me and my sister. means to me. The food is also good.

#### What Christmas means to me.....

It reminds you that Christmas isn't always about presents. It's about seeing What Christmas means to your family and friends. Even me is to celebrate with my if you don't have any friends family and friends. I think that's fine because you can that is a Christmas dream still celebrate Christmas with come true for me. I always your family. Christmas also play outside in the snow with means to me I like to go my brothers. It doesn't mat- around and look at all the ter if it is below freezing. I Christmas lights and decora-

#### What Christmas means to me.....

I love Christmas because it turned into just being grate- brings joy to a lot of people. It ful for getting at least one gift. also gives wonderful gifts and Christmas is my favorite holi- treats. But the best thing of all day. not because of the snow is giving gifts to others. The or the presents. But just be- eggnog and cookies you leave cause I get to spend time with for Santa are gone in the my family and friends. So morning. The family time on that is what Christmas means christmas morning spreads

The white snow on the What Christmas means ground and falling in the sky. Making snow angels and snow forts in your warm Christmas means a lot to jacket. The elfs on the shelves me. It's my favorite holiday watching in kindness and because I open presents and their magic. The lights twin-that makes me happy. I like kling in the night with beauty spending time with my family at every house. Christmas is

#### What Christmas means to me.....

snow angels. I love when I to me? I will tell you now! and the milk and cookies are joy and family time, but the part of Christmas is family gone and presents are under true meaning of Christmas is and friends . the christmas tree. I'm thank- Jesus's birth. It is not all ful for all Santa's hard work about presents and the food

I go to look at Christmas me and other christianly peo- Well I love Christmas because means to me and will always ple. It is a good time to get to- it is a holly jolly time of year! mean to me. gether with family and Christmas is a time of year friends. So next time think where most people are happy about Jesus.

Christmas means to me. means to me. If this holiday The time spent together, the wasn't here it would be borhot chocolate, the board ing. Everybody needs a little all cozy inside your warm game's, the movies. Playing joy sometimes. For example house under all of those nice in the snow, snow angels, Santa Claus is a great sign of warm blankets. Christmas is the Christmas gifts. But that's now men, snow sledding and joy. He comes with your my favorite holiday!!!!! presents and toys. Also you Christmas is like a big na- have family time. Family time playing outside with my sistional nice day. All the nice's is a good time for everyone to ness passing around the get together and converse, little I loved to open presents is filled with the holiday house is cosey and warm. It eatch up and have some fun. for myself. I loved to throw spirit. is nice to have people that That is what Christmas

#### to me..... By Eli

Carla Ousley's fifth grade orate my house for Christ-

### By Ozzy G.

joy through the house.

### By Lathan G.

Christmas means a lot to I love Christmas but why?

### What Christmas means

Stay nice and cozy, What Christmas means What Christmas means to me.....

#### By anonymous

My family friends eat dinner together, the joy to the world to all people all around the world . Christmas morning to all kids they will get gifts from Santa Claus and his reindeer lead him. . His elves cozy houses different kinds of What does Christmas mean make the toys for all the kids smells coming from the can- Don't forget about the on earth and Santa's toy sack wake up on christmas day Christmas is a holiday about holds all the toys. The best

#### What Christmas means to me.....

Cheyenne M.

but not the people shopping So back to what Christmas on black friday! It is a time of year when you get to spend time with your family and get

> When I was little I loved ters in the cold. When I was snowballs at the snowman I yellow kind ! When I was lit- grew up This Christmas. tle I loved playing in the snow with my best friends.

by presents.

#### to me..... By Lane

Christmas means joy and laughter, fun and best of all TOYS. good food, family time and lots of games to play. Warm dles afar sitting on the table. Having fun opening gifts. Saying grace, eating food and dessert.

presents and having fun.

#### What Christmas means to me...

By Ryan So let me tell you. I like CHRISTMAS!!! Christmas because of all of

not all. I also love it because it gets my family together. Also because it celebrates

ily or doing something with someone you love. I like when it is cold and you can vorite holiday. get all cozy with a fireplace. One of my favorite things to tion that we buy ornaments do for Christmas is to see all that remind us of each other, the Christmas lights and we put the year on the orna-Christmas blow ups. I love to ment then wrap it and wait Christmas means see all the joy in children's till Christmas and open the faces. The best thing is that ornaments then save them for baby Jesus was born. Giving next Christmas and put them is one thing that is fun to do. on the tree. present but giving is better up Christmas decorations than getting presents.

me is mostly the joy and the movies. My favorite Christ-Eating food isn't the best happiness and the peace. To mas movie is Polar Express. thing. Sitting around the me Christmas is the best holi-Christmas tree opening day. I forgot to say Santa to have dinner. Claus. I love to wake up on That is what Christmas Christmas and see the milk ther at my mom's house or gone and the cookies gone. I my dad's house. In the mornlove waking up full of joy! ing I open my presents and Christmas to me is happy, fun spend some time with my and joyful! That is what mom . I will go to my dad's Christmas means to me! I house so I can spend some hope everyone has a happy time with him on Christmas I hear you want to know Christmas. For all the years too, or I will be at my dad's what Christmas means to me. that are left to come! HAPPY house and go to my mom's

#### What Christmas means to me.....

By Conway

God's birthday. And everyone mas means to me is that Je- can last the longest. sus was born. Jesus was born on December 25th and that is Also I'm excited because why we celebrate Christmas. just made. I absolutely loved me and my family are going Christmas is not just about eating snow too, but not the to a place where my mom getting presents. Jesus is our lord and savior that died on spending time with Family And if I knew where we the cross for us.So that is the and celebrating the best time

#### to me..... By Braelyn

Christmas is my second fa-

Natalie made a new tradi-

At my mom's house we set and have hot chocolate. We What Christmas means to usually watch Christmas We go to my grandma's house

On Christmas day I am ei-

Sometimes I go to Charlie's house and go sledding with her and have snowball fights. I want to do a challenge for us, so we have to stick our The first thing that Christ- hands in snow and see who

#### What Christmas means to me.....

#### **By Remington**

To Me Christmas means were going I would tell you main reason we celebrate of the year. What I also like

The Cole R-V fifth grade students were invited to sing Christmas carols on the Capital steps today and in the snow and sled down big presents than make me happy be happy and with your famhills. It is really fun.

continued with a performance inside the Capital Rotunda, under the direction of Mr. Stosich.

#### **By Aubrey**

and laughter. It's fun seeing cocoa. everyone's decorations and it

Christmas brings joy to the Christmas means to me world because Santa brings that you get presents and presents and candy. And hot cocoa. Christmas used to whoever is reading this is gofamily and friends. You get homework for a week or two. Now I want to spend time best time of the year. toys and presents from when In my opinion it is the best with my favorite people like you didn't get on your birth- holiday ever because we get to Maelee-Celia-Mom-Dadday. It makes you have joy watch movies and drink hot Nana-Grandma, my sisters

In my opinion it is the best would rather make other peogives me ideas on how to dec- season because we get to play ple happy by giving them to me? Christmas means to

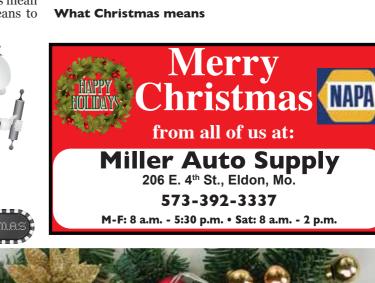
Now I'm older and would but I don't. And so this story Christmas. rather stay inside and drink comes to an end. So I hope and just live my best life! I

#### What Christmas means to me..... By: Andi S.

What does Christmas mean

The second reason that we try a lot of different foods. celebrate Christmas is giving Christmas is a Holiday that toys. Christmas means you most of all we get school off be just opening presents now ing to have a holly jolly each other presents. That is Everybody celebrates around get to spend time with your and we do not get to do any it means something special. Christmas because it's the why a lot of kids love Christ- the world. Christmas is a fun mas. Kids love to unwrap Holiday too. Because You can gifts and see what is inside. go Sledding, Skiing and People also like to play games Snowboarding. People also like white elephant. That is decorate Christmas Trees for what christmas means to me. decoration.

about Christmas is that I can



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## Santa letters from Tuscumbia Miller County R-III first graders

The following are Santa Wheeler's class: Dear Santa,

My name is Tennyson. I am Santa! 6 vers old. I hope you are doing good. Haw do you make nerf guns? I wuld like a nerf gun and a jell gun and a game

boy. Merry Christmus! Love, Tennyson M

(Tuscumbia, Age 6)

#### Dear Santa,

am 6 yers old. I hope you are doing good. Why dusint Mrs. Claus cum with you? I wuld like a brbe and a nerf gun and make up stand. Merry Cristmus! Love,

Karsyn W.

(Tuscumbia, Age 6)

Dear Santa,

My name is Haiven and I jiant younicorn and a stitch Letters from Tuscumbia am 6 yers old. I hope you are and a brbe drem hauws Miller County R-III first doing good. Wot do you liv Merry Christmus Santa! graders in Cortanie in? I wuld like a make Love, up stand and a fone and a dog. Hav a Merry Christmus

> Love, Haiven L. (Tuscumbia, Age 6)

#### Dear Santa,

My name is Jeb and I am 7 yeerz old. I hope you are doing good. How do you make everee dulivree in one nite? I wuld like a jell gun and My name is Karsyn and I a cat and toys for my dogs. Have a Merry Christmas Santa! Love, Jeb C.

(Tuscumbia, Age 7)

Dear Santa, My name is Laney and I am Merry Cristmis Santa! sicxs yers old. I hope you are doing good. haw do you git to ol the hasiz? I wuld like a

Lanev H. (Tuscumbia, Age 6)

#### Dear Santa,

My name is Corbin and I am 6 yers old. I hope you are doing good. How do render fli? I wuld like a ps5 and a nerf gun and all of the transformrs. Merry Cristmus! the

Love, Corbin B. (Tuscumbia, Age 6)

#### Dear Santa,

My name is Emersyn and I am 6 yers old. I hope you are doing good. Haw do the elfs make the toys? I wuld like jump rope and huvrbord and a stuft animl. Love,

Emersyn R. (Tuscumbia, Age 6)



Meet the authors of the Santa letters-Tuscumbia Miller County R-III first graders in Cortanie Wheeler's class recently wrote letters to Santa. They are pictured in no particular order: Tennyson, Karsyn, Haiven, Jeb, Laney, Corbin and Emersyn.

### Santa letters from Mrs. Ahart's Tuscumbia second graders

#### Dear Santa.

Can I have some Pokemon stuff. cards and a new Pokemon card holder?

Sincerely, Robbin

#### Dear Santa,

year that you gave me. This notebook, a electric scooter, year I want an electric scooter and a necklace. for Christmas. If you give me that, it would be wonderful. Love, Sadie

#### Dear Santa,

that you gave me last year. I snow globe, a car set, and a would like a Bible cover, monster truck set, and that's

Sonic stuff, and McQueen all.

Sincerely, Brentley

Dear Santa, Thank you for the gifts last chair, a family picture, a Christmas this year.

Dear Santa,

#### Sincerely, Lawson

dirtbike, a big robot dog, a Christmas Thank you for the presents dump truck, a farm set, a mearacle.

Sincerely, Chandler

I would like slime, Barbies, a watch for Christmas last buck with an American flag Christmas and a electric stuffed animals, a bean bag year. I want a tablet for behind it. Love, Sally

#### Dear Santa,

milk, and carrots for you and football. I also want three dog treats because they are want every body to be happy. For Christmas, I wold like a your reindeer. All I want for silver necklaces, one whith a hungry and can I have a dog is a family wolf, one whith an eagle, and this year?

Sincerely, Jade

Dear Santa.

Dear Santa,

one whith a cross.

For Christmas, I would like Sincerely, Arrie

This year I want a VR

Dear Santa,

some new boots, size three, a I like your stuff. This year I would like a lava lamp and scooter.

SIncerely, Carter

#### Dear Santa,

I'm gonna lay out cookies, headset, a Fitbit, and a Chiefs wheeler. Can I have alot of a karaoke machine? I just

Dear Santa

Thank you for all my You are the best Santa and presents last year. This year I

Sincerely, Blair

Dear Santa,

I want a new pair of shoes and I want every body to get Thank you for last year's 4- presents. Can i get pants and Sincerely, Mila

Sincerely, Silas

Pokemon

# Santa letters from Tuscumbia third graders

mill.

Dear Santa, I want a gel blaster sniper. unbieon Build-a-bear, Axolotl LEGO set, and a pet Axolotl drone with a camera. Love,

John Mark Pettit

#### Dear Santa,

and a drone with a camera, a money, and Pokemon packs. picture signed by Patrick Mahomes, a signed Patrick Mahomes card, a 1st edition shadow holographic Charizard old fashion. Love

Liam Glen Rowden

Dear Santa, May I please get some Pokemon cards, Pokemon toys, a Nintendo with a TV, a bunch of math sheets, a bunch of candy, a bunch of watches, a Ronaldo jersey, a For Christmas I would like Nike hoody, a new soccer ball, a VR-headset and a Michael a new set of Pokemon, a family. Jordan jersey, a side by side bunch of snow, a bunch of Love,

Liam S.

Dear Santa, Pokemon cards,

edition Charizard, signed whole bunch of realistic stickers, and a cute long Patrick rookie, Mewtwo and Barbies. I hope that I am on blanket. Blastoise.

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like a family picture, and my Love,

Harlyn Engelbrecht

Dear Santa,

I want a realistic baby doll and some realistic animals, want sports cards, Pokemon cards, realistic Ronaldo puppys, and a baby teecup Christmas. I want a realistic

jersey, Jorane jersey, 1st Yorky, and a huverbord, and a puppy, the nice list. I forgot to put this on my letter, I want 5

Sincerely, Noah

Love,

**Reese Humphreys** Dear Santa,

PS5, and a Sonic game. Love, **Bentley Yinger** 

Dear Santa,

I want a hoodie for

Love, Ella Lupardus

and

Dear Santa,

I would like a skateboard, Pokemon cards, a new cup, Elf hoverboard, PS5, scroshe I want a Pokemon cards journal, balls, scroshe, a picture, walkie talkie, close and Minecraft stuff, and a misret box, a ball, she tocs prdodledlentr pens, and my fuse toy, a lot of presents, chips, toces, a lot of Pokemon cards, fake money, 20 scroshes pop its, and makeup. Love,

Hope Brown

Dear Santa,

I want a apttmay Memow, and the squishy Memow. I want four Memow and apttmay merch.

> Love, Presley Smith

Dear Santa, I would like a family cousins.

> Love, Alice Wickham



Love,

K.A.



**PJs for the holidays –** Tuscumbia second graders dressed up for Christmas pajama day. Pictured are, from left, front row: Noah Rowden, Lawson Engelbrecht, Blair Banner, Sally Visser and Mila Martinez; back row: Chandler Moyer, Jade Musick, Sadie Martin, Robbin Crawford, Brentley Bell. (Photo by Connie Wyrick)

Spoiling teachers-Miller County R-III teacher Toby Dinwiddie was one of the staff members receiving gifts during the community days of giving.



dad.

### High Point R-III students talk about what Christmas means to them

#### What Christmas means to me

#### By Jaelea Hall

Christmas means to me them for a while. that I get to gather with family and friends all giving the best faces when I give them stuff. presents that represent the Giving presents to my friends reciprocator.

I get to go to a friend's happy. Seeing my friends and Christmas at my parent's family happy is one of my friend's house. We have fun favorite things. the actual Christmas dinner Christmas is very nostalgic for with gifts in the basement me. It reminds me of when I waiting for me and my had first moved in with my cousins.

I always love getting a I love my family, my present for the right person friends, and of course, lots of and how it represents them as gift giving. a person.

We also have stockings for all of the grandchildren and we get to have something Jesus's birthday and time to personalized for us.

This is what I think Christmas is to me and my out of school. family. Gathering for fun and giving the perfect gifts.

#### **By Kandy Weeces**

Christmas means spending me with family and time and connecting with no family fights or drama.

We don't need presents or stockings, just bonding and helping each other out.

#### By Stella Shoemaker

Christmas means a lot of things to me, presents, family and nostalgia.

I love to hang out with my

#### family during Christmas. I love to go to Christmas events

**By Eleanor** Christmas means spending with family after not seeing time with family, celebrating Jesus's birth and giving to I love to see their bright people in need and going to church.

It also means opening gifts with your family and maybe and family makes me very with your friends.

And decorating the Christmas tree with friends with my friends, then I go to I also love getting presents and family and getting to my grandparents house for but that's beside the point. know people when you go to church or something.

#### **By Audrey Rissler**

What Christmas means to me is spending time with my family and celebrating Jesus's birth for God gave his only son so we have a choice for everlasting life. That is the What Christmas is to me is real reason we celebrate Christmas.

and Santa Claus. It is about shopping for a family of three. Jesus's birth, but you can still open presents and write letters to Santa Claus, but just remember that isn't the real reason I love Christmas.

#### By Zoe Brummett

What Christmas means to me is Christ. Jesus is born. Also, Jesus died for our sins.

Did you know the candy cane has a means. The shape Christmas means a lot to me, but what does not are the represents a "J" for Jesus, red me. I get to spend time with me is it is the day we celebrate this day we get gifts and we presents or the tree. It's about means the blood he shed and my family and I get to see Jesus Christ's birth. love and getting to spend time the white means purity. The their reactions to their presents. gifts we get are a gift to God. Gratitude



It is not just about presents Shopping for a family of three-The High Point R-III student council recently went Christmas

**By Erin Whittle** To me, Christmas means we love it. time to spend with my family. son Jesus to save us.

**By Tyler Johannes** 

Christmas means a lot to

I also love to go shopping reason, Jesus is. That's the It also means time to with my mom so I can see the remember that God sent his pretty Christmas decorations. Christmas is a time of giving. Christmas is going to watch means spending time with the light shows with my family and having lots of fun. It is a time to spread joy and family.

#### **By Grant Carender**

I love celebrating Christmas

with my family and friends. It is also the day Jesus My favorite tradition is

Christ was born so that's why hanging the pickle on the tree for my family to find.

#### **By Connor Carender**

It is the day Jesus Christ My favorite part of was born, but Christmas also

#### **By Isaiah Winiger**

Christmas to me means the What Christmas means to day that Jesus was born. On give gifts.

# Iberia R-V students write Santa letters

cheer.

#### letters are from Iberia R- love you, Santa. students in Mrs. V Holtmeyer's class:

#### Dear Santa.

I have been good. I want a board. I will leave you cookies finger on Christmas. Love, Kira

#### Santa,

You are the best! I want a Lanky Box. I want you to helping my mom clean. Love, Macy C.

#### Dear Santa.

been good at school and at my see you.

house. You are the best, Santa! Love Allie M.

Santa.

want a big train for

The following Santa motorcycle for Christmas. I Love, Oliver Robinson

**By Dane Fisher** 

It also means to me is to get

**By Barron Hale** 

me is it is Jesus's birthday. It

It is also a day I can get

I can talk about or get

**By Isaiah Brubaker** 

was the birth of Jesus Christ.

What Christmas means to

spend with family.

certain thing I want.

talked to about the Bible.

with family and friends.

#### Dear Santa,

For Christmas I want a toy reindeer. I want a hover phone. My sister wants a puppet. Merry Christmas, Santa. Love, Willow H.

#### Dear Santa,

I have been nice. I have come to my house. I have been helping my mom. I want been good. I have been a necklace. Merry Christmas! for Christmas. I want books, Love, Sawyer R. shoes and hats.

#### Dear Santa,

I have been good. I have I want a hoverboard and an been good to my mom. I want X-box gift card for Christmas. an elf on my shelf and a cat Christmas. I have been good. I have toy for my cats. I can't wait to Love, Avery K.

### Dear Santa,

I have been good. I have been giving Jake hugs. I want makeup set. I want coffee. I have been good Santa. I an iPhone for Christmas. Love, Ariel S.

good Santa Claus and I want a makeup, and a 3D pen. Thank year. I hope I'm on the good thank you for the stuff I got you for the makeup I got last list!

I wan a Power Ranger Suit year. Are you real? please Santa.

#### From, Cora

Dear Santa,

How are your Reindeer? Thanks, Lane

### Dear Santa, Thanks, Rylee

Dear Santa, I want an iPhone. How are

you doing Santa? Thanks, Bentley

Dear Santa, For Christmas, I want a collect cards? Thanks, Briley

Dear Santa.

From Hattie Dear Santa,

I want a scooter. I want a on the nice list. I think I'm on You are the best! dirt bike. How are you Santa? the nice list because I help would like a gun, race car, and it gets broken. How many a truck. Thank you so much elves do you have? for my mocoset car that ran I want a lot of funko pops 60 MPH I got last year. Santa why do you have so many reindeer?! I love you!

My name is Max Bennett. I think this because I help my nice or naughty list? mom clean. Can I please have baseball cards, football cards and soccer cards?

Dear Santa

Love, Vayda Dear Santa,

writing to tell you I am on the present that I am really My name is Eli. I think I'm nice list. I have been good. thankful for is the VR.

I would like a toy car, truck, cookies will be good! Goodmy mom do the laundry. I and nerf gun. I can fix stuff if bye!

Love, Tysen

My name is Lyla! I am 8. I and I am 8. I am on the nice am on the nice list. I tried and list because I help my mom tried to be nice and kind. I and dad. Could I please have want a cheese mat, pompoms, a phone and a little four and bows. Thank you for the wheeler I want a Nerf gun for think I am on the nice list. I hatchamls. Is my sister on the Love, Lyla

Dear Santa. Hi, I'm Elaina. I hope I'm ball from last year. Do you on the nice list. But I think I am on the naughty list because I lie some times. But fi I am on the nice list, I would Hi, my name is Tori. I am like a slime set, hermit crab, or a puppy. But I would like to

think I would like to ask!

How old are you? You can Hi, my name is Tysen. I am tell me or not! Oh, and the

Thank you for that. Ps. The

Love, Elaina

Dear Santa,

Hey my name is Kinslee

and a ice cream truck. Thank you for the things last year! I need to know if the Elf is real!

Love, Kinslee

for the

season!

# Dear Santa, Love Eli

Dear Santa,

Thank you for the soccer

Love Max

seven years old. I think I m on

Jesus is

the reason.

Christmas. I help mom and dad with

the chores. North Pole? Santa, I love you.

Love, Nora G.

#### Dear Santa,

I was good. I was good at school. I want a robot. I want a sonic robot toy. Thank you, Paul L.

#### Dear Santa,

sick. Can you bring my mom sequined mermaid tail. her favorite thing.

Love, Kennedi

#### Dear Santa,

a magic coloring book. I want globe and a lamp. a new tablet. I have been good this year. I hope you have the best day ever, Santa. Love, Jayden D

#### Dear Santa,

Can you bring my mom and popcorn bucket that smells. dad something? Merry Thanks and love, Aisle Christmas.

Love, Tymi S.

#### Dear Santa,

I want an Iphone 15 for baby cat. Christmas. I also want an Xbox and a t.v. Nintendo. Can you give my mom some cool. money? I hope you come to my house. Love, Spencer V.

#### Dear Santa,

I want a lot of kenetic sand. I also want a Barbie dream year. I help clean the house.

#### Dear Santa,

I want a dirt bike for sister a dirt bike too? I have ornament I hope. been good at school. I love you, Santa.

#### Love, Graham C.

Dear Santa,

I have been good. I am nice Santa. to my brother. I want a

Dear Santa, the Lanky Box Foxx Box toys are cute.

(can you bring my brother a Roblox figure?) I want you to come to my house please. Love, Oliver

#### The following Santa tree. letters are from students in Mrs. Piggot's class. Dear Santa,

I love you. I want a furby for I want a bike for Christmas. Christmas. I want a finger I am very good. I help my ring, air dry clay, rainbow mom feel better when she is corns, hatchima I and a Love, Emerlyn

#### Dear Santa,

For Christmas, I would like I want a VR headset. I want an electric scooter, a snow From Waylon

#### Dear Santa,

nail polish.

I also want roller skates, I have been good. I want roller blades, a Barbie dream doing? Is she doing okay? But bell bottoms for Christmas. house, and a Llama in a are you doing okay? Thanks and love, Aisley

#### Dear Santa,

I want a Barbie and a Barbie camper, because it is doing?

I want rainbow slime, pencils and all the stuff. Love, Chesney

#### Dear Santa,

good presents. We have a

From Jayce

Dear Santa, What I want for Christmas

Santa, are penguins in the am good, Santa. I want all of that I can fit in. Your reindeer

From, Hadley

#### Dear Santa,

I love you Santa. I want a Barbie set and a Christmas brownies or cookies?

Santa, thank you. Thank you. I want a hover board and awesome stuff.

Thanks, Aspen Ash

Dear Santa,

motorcycle and PS5. Hi, I like you. Good job! One more thing, I need a battery!

Thanks, Maddy

#### Dear Santa,

How are you doing? How are the reindeer doing? Are warm hug too. they good? But, can I get a I want Navy blue and pink Power Ranger toy? So, can I get it?

But, how is Mrs. Claus

Thank you, Joseph

Dear Santa,

How are you doing? I want I like your holidays. I want a Gold Boy 22 for Christmas. a real baby puppy and a real Also, a Kansas City Chiefs necklace.

are the reindeer How

#### From, Benson The following Santa letters are from Mrs. Colvin's second grade class.

Dear Santa,

I am Baylie. I think I am on Can you please get me a the good list because I help car. I have been good this hoverboard and a black cross my mom feel better. Santa, clean the house. necklace with the American will you get me OMG dolls, Love, Kaydance S. sign on it? How is Rudolph barbie dolls, and a elf? Thank doing? Please get me a lot of you for the presents from last vear. Will you bring the same beautiful elf as last year?Last year I Christmas. Can you give my Christmas tree with Grinch wanted to hug the elf, but Icouldn't.

From Baylie

#### Dear Santa,

Hi, my name is Hattie. I am is a watch with games please on the nice list because I am nice to my friends. Could I I know that I have been please have OMG dolls,

I love you. Thank you for the nice list because I am I have been good in ISS. I the presents. I want a play car helpful, thankful, awesome, good, and a good listener. 3 things I want are baby clothes, big clothes and kid clothes. Thank you for all of this hard work. How old are you? Do you rather eat, Love Tori

Dear Santa.

I help my mom and dad around the house. Can I please have a drum set, a bunny, and friendship neck-laces? Thank you for the I want an electric scooter, crafts last year. How old are vou?

Love Ava

Dear Santa, My name is Vayda. I think I am on the good list. I think this because I helped my mom and dad. I want a hug from mom and dad and a cozy

I have a question about your hat, does it cost money? Thank you for everything last

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# Santa letters from Iberia R-V

Dear Santa,

My name is Lilly and I live

presents last year! Bye! Love, Lilly

Dear Santa,

mas. My name is Cooper and Nichols second Ia m on the nice list or the class. naughty list. I feel Iam on the good list because I've been I missed you all year. Thank doing a lot of nise stuff. Do you know my elfs?

Dear Santa,

the good things that you Santa! done. Where are you at? I think your at the north

pole. Love, Jayce

Dear Santa.

Iphone too. Ilove Santa, he is milk and cookies. the Best.

I don't want to be on the naughty list. I don't! I love Santa, sorry for everything I magic?

Dear Santa,

with my baby brother. Ireally and nails. Thank you for Christmas, Santa! want these three things: an something Igot last year. I'm I phone, silk, and a ginny pig. on the nice list because I'm re-I just wanted to ask you a ally nice, only sometimes I'm

Love, Makinlee Christmas.

Dear Santa, it's me, Henry! for giving me presents! you so much for my gifts last Christmas. This year I am elf on the shelf, and a I am on the good list be- chromebook. I've been really gifts last Christmas. This year cause l've been playing with good all year. I help others! I my brother. I want a pokemon promise to leave you milk and cards. I am thankful for all cookies. Merry Christmas, low, and a nightlight.

Love, Henry

I missed you all year. Thank you so much for my gifts last deer. You're the best! Christmas. This year I am My name is Jason. Iam on asking for Goku, games, and the nice list because Ihave clothes. I have been really done nothing wrong. I want a good, I help watch my baby real elf for Christmas and a sister. I promise to leave you

Merry Christmas, Santa! Love, Calvin

Dear Santa, it's me, Allee! I did. I want a playstation too. missed you all year. Thank friends pack their stuff at How do you give your elves you so much for my gifts last school. I promise to leave you I missed you all year. Thank Love, Jaxson Love,

and a whistle. I've been really Hi! My name is Makinlee. good all year, I listen well in in Crocker. I think I am on the Something I want for Christ- school. I promise to leave you nice list because I help alot mas is an elf toy, makeup kit, milk and cookies. Merry I missed you all year. Thank

Dear Santa, it's me, Jaxon! car, a big squishy, and a nerf question, how old are you? naughty! How does your rein-Thank you for all of the deer like carrots? I missed you all year. Thank you so much for my gifts last

The following Santa let- Halo 1, Halo 2, and a big nerf I want a Xbox for christ- ters are from Mrs. gun! I've been really good all ing this! grade year. I promise to leave you milk and cookies. Thank you

Love, Jaxon

Dear Santa, it's me, Love Cooper asking for a switch game, the Aubree! I missed you all year. asking for a cat stuffy, Thank you so much for my I am asking for a gingerbread people when they are crying. I man, baby Yoda, a squishmel-

I've been really good all year, I help my mom bring in the groceries. I promise to you, and carrots for the rein-

Dear Santa, it's me, Princepack of nerf bullets, and them. games. I have been good all year! I have helped my

Love, Princeden

Love, Allee Christmas. This year I am See you next year! asking for a Lamborghini RC gun! I have been really good cookies. Thank you for read-

Love, Owen

missed you all year. Thank cookies. I love you, Santa! you so much for my gifts last Christmas. This year I am makeup, and a pop-it! I've promise to leave you milk and cookies! Merry Christmas.

Love Piper

you so much for my gifts last Santa! Christmas! This year I am Love, Aubree asking for a ps5, a new jacket, and a nerf gun!

Love, Aidan

Dear Santa, it's me, Taelyn! Christmas. This year I am

Love, Taelyn

Dear Santa, it's me, Kinser! so much, Santa! this year by helping my mom I missed you all year. Thank bring in the groceries. I you so much for my gifts last This year I'm asking for promise to leave you milk and Christmas. This year I am asking for a basketball, elec- I missed you all year. Thank tric nerf gun, and Curry you for my gifts last Christshoes. I've been really good. I mas. This year I am asking for listen to my teacher! I prom- a toy horse, squishmellow, Dear Santa, it's me, Piper! I ise to leave you milk and and a blanket. I've been really Love, Kinser

Santa, it's me, You're the best. Dear Landry! I missed you all year. been really good at helping Thank you so much for my gifts last Christmas. This year I am asking for a phone, a missed you all year. Thank squishmellow, and slime. I've you so much for my gifts last been really good this year. I Christmas. This year I am help my mom clean the asking for a phone. I've been Dear Santa, it's me, Aidan! house! I promise to leave you really good all year! I promise Dear Santa, it's me, Calvin! leave milk and cookies for I missed you all year. Thank milk and cookies. I love you, to leave you milk and cookies.

#### Love, Landry

Dear Santa, it's me, Jessie! I've been really good! I got I missed you all year. Thank ley! I missed you all year. den! I missed you all year. stuff for my grandma. I prom- you so much for my gifts last Thank you so much for my Thank you so much for my ise to leave you milk and Christmas. This year I am gift last Christmas. This year I gifts last Christmas. This year cookies! You're the best, asking for a big nerf gun and am asking for a money gun, I am asking for a nerf gun, a thank you for my gift if I get a nintendo switch. I've been art kit, and a gun. I've been really good this year. I help really good this year. I helped wash dishes! I promise to my mom clean the house. I leave you milk and cookies! promise to leave you milk and You're the best!

Love, Jessie

Dear Santa, it's me, Jolene!

asking for makeup, a doll, and I missed you all year. Thank slime! I have been really you so much for my gifts last Dear Santa, it's me, Owen! good. I helped a lady hold her Christmas. This year I am grocery cart. I promise to asking for love and joy. I have you so much for my gifts last leave you milk and cookies! been really good all year! I help my mom bring in groceries. I promise to leave you milk and cookies. I love you

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Love, Jolene

Dear Santa, it's me, Hailea! good this year, I help clean the living room. I promise to leave you milk and cookies!

Love, Hailea

Dear Santa, it's me, Riley! I You're the best, Santa.

Love, Rilev

Dear Santa, it's me, Brantcookies. I love you, Santa.

Love, Brantley

# Santa letters from Our Lady of the Snows Catholic School

Letters from Our Lady of color. Snows Catholic the School students M a r i a n n a world. God bless you for Werdehausen's class.

Dear Santa,

My name is Marianna Werdehausen and I teach at a wonderful, Catholic school in Mary's Home, Missouri.

for you, so I'm asking for just one thing this Christmas.

Christmas in the hearts of much. everyone? I was taught by a dear friend of mine that joy is Jesus, others and you.

When we have joy of Christmas in our hearts, we I hope you have a good brother has a BB gun too.

When there is love shown, people.

in we will see peace in our carrying the spirit Christmas.

Christmas blessings,

Iary's Home, Missouri. I hope you have a fun trip Santa, can you get me a toy I know this is a busy time going around the world. I am table because I like to play Colton and I want a gas motorcycle because my friend Love, Colton

Dear Santa,

show love to all people...no winter. I would like a phone

The following are Santa matter what religion, race or for Christmas, because I want to play games on it and text

> I ĥope you're not too busy. Love, Kenzie

#### Dear Santa,

My name is Hattison. I Marianna Werdehausen hope you are not too busy because it is going to be the

family.

Dear Santa, I hope you have a jolly



Merry Christmas from the staff and students at Our Lady of the Snows Catholic School

Dear Santa, I hope you are having a Your friend, Liam good time at the North Pole. thing.

I hope you are not too busy this Christmas. This Christmas I want one

This year could you bring me a real reindeer please. Your friend, Jax

### **Letters to Santa Claus**

of

Dear Santa,

Could you place the joy of Jax has one and I loved it very

# best winter.

Christmas. I want one thing for Christmas. I want a Red My name is MacKenzie and Rider BB gun, because my

Love, Hattison

#### about

#### **Our Lady of the Snows Fourth Grade**

#### by Brooklin B

Nicolas helped his St. friends when they didn't have money. He helped the poor and the homeless on Christmas Eve.

He was kind to others and our shoes by the front door he poor kids. will put candy in them.

He will peek through the toys on Dec. 6. door and put the candy in vour shoes.

#### by Elsie S

Nicholas' family was rich and he felt bad for other fami- and helped them a lot. lies because they were poor.

He wanted families to be happy so he set up a plan.

have what they want.

to get the kids what they hurt him. wanted.

The next morning the kids woke up and were happy.

#### by Madison G

St. Nick lived almost in Turkey and was Turkish.

St. Nicholas did presents to the poor to cheer them up.

On Saint Nick Day, Saint Nick brings us candy. On Saint Nick Night, if you some candy.

put your shoes by the door he will put candy in them.

sends elves to your house.

#### by Nolan S

Saint Nick was a good kid when he was young. He also gave his friends presents when he got older. Ŵhen he he became a saint. If we put was young he felt bad for the

He also gives us little, small

Saint Nick's parents also nice guy. died when he was young.

#### by Vivian P

St. Nick gave food to the

needy because he was nice. He gave presents to kids,

He wanted the children to like toys, books and clothes. He helped anybody who

Some people think Santa is not St. Nick and some people mom and dad died from a disthink Santa is St. Nick.

#### by Henry D

Saint Nicholas helped his on his friends. friends by giving them jackets give and gloves.

His family was very rich and shoes. he helped his friend with gifts. He comes to our house and gives us an ornament and

Saint Nicholas sometimes can get called Santa Claus and is a real bow to shoot fish squish mallow. Saint Nick, or Santa Claus, brings presents to our homes. with, some Koi toys, a cast Saint Nicholas, or Santa, net and a fishing pole. sends elves to see if you are good or bad.

#### by Charlotte G

St. Nicholas puts candy in your shoes.

He just wanted to be nice to everyone.

needed help because he was a really like your reindeer

need and gave them presents. Marshall and a Spider Tower.

He and his family were rich St. Nick was nice to the poor and he was trying to help people in need.

#### by Maggie S

presents, like toys and clothes. St. Nicholas is really nice a happy napper baby doll,

His family was rich, but his ease.

When his parents died, he I really like your sleigh. got their money and spent it

comes and puts gifts in our

My name is Gabe. I have been very good this year and I really like your sleigh.

#### Our Lady of the Snows Mary's Home

#### Dear Santa,

I like to catch bass, carp, bluegill and crappie. I also want a Red Ryder BB gun. I left you out some cookies

and milk. Jace Lage, fourth grade

Dear Santa.

My name is Jayton. I have He helped people who been kind of good this year. I He loved to help people in a skateboard, Mighty Pup I really like your Santa hat.

Dear Santa, My name is Isabelle. I have been very good this year and St. Nicholas gave children For Christmas I would like been very good this year and Love, Isabelle V.

> Dear Santa, My name is Brady. I have been very good this year and

For Christmas I would like a kitten, a doll house, a happy Love, Brandy V.

For Christmas I would like been very good this year and a binder for my Pokemon I really like your reindeer. cards, a remote control dog, a What I want for Christmas coloring book and a Pokemon

Love, Gabe P.

#### Dear Santa,

My name is Carter. I have been very good this year and really like your reindeer. For Christmas I would like

toy raccoon, an eagle blanket and a robot. Love, Carter B.

#### Dear Santa,

My name is Carson. I have For Christmas I would like been very good this year and For Christmas I would like Love, Jayton H. chocolate, a LEGO set, fish tank and a robot cat.

Dear Santa,

I really like Rudolph the traveled to Bethlehem on a reindeer.

For Christmas I would like a remote car, a monster truck and a go-cart.

Love, Oliver S.

#### Dear Santa,

My name is Emery. I have been very good this year and I really like your reindeer. For Christmas I would like

a baby that looks real. Love, Emery C.

Dear Santa,

For Christmas I would like Heat Wave, Chase, Bolder, Blaze and a monster truck.

#### Love, Derrick A The true meaning of Christmas

By A. Berry A long, long time ago there was a girl named Mary. She

was baking a bowl of chicken pot pie. Then appeared an angel named Gabriel.

"Do not be afraid Mary, for you have favor with God," said Gabriel.

'What do you mean?" said Mary.

"You will bear a son and you shall name him Jesus. Have him in Bethlehem,' Love, Carson L. said Gabriel.

"Yes, I accept," said Mary.

Then he left. The next day she My name is Oliver. I have fell in love with Joseph and got married. Then she donkey. Then they reached Bethlehem. No one would let them stay in their homes because they were full. They they found a little stable.

"It's perfect," said Mary. Then she had Him.

"What's his name?" asked Joseph.

"Jesus," Mary replied.

So Christmas isn't about the presents, it's about Jesus. It's about Jesus' birthday. So spread the news and bring My name is Derrick. I have peace to this world.

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Dear Santa,

On Dec. 5, St. Nicholas napper and a toy lion.

So he did a plan that night needed help, even if it could because he makes people shoes and a scooter happy

### 8D – The Advertiser – Thursday, Dec. 14, 2023 www.eldonadvertiser.com What Christmas means to me

# **Our Lady of the Snows - Mary's Home**

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Jace Lage, fourth grade

celebrate Jesus' birthday. It's about We cheer. We open presents and we see what's in our stockings. It's about joy!

We go to Grandma's to have our Christmas party, to decorate cookies and open presents.

We eat breakfast in the morning. We have eggs, sausage, bacon. We see some Christmas lights. It's all about cheer!

Christmas is a day about joy and cheer. We are happy because it is Jesus' birthday. I celebrate His birthday by giving and receiving gifts

I also make Christmas cookies at school to give to the community, and sing Christmas carols with my family to spread cheer to others.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Ellie Schulte

In my opinion Christmas is all about Jesus. That is because our Savior is born. He was born on hay in a stable because there was no room in the inn. His mother is Mary, his foster father is Joseph. He is the son of God. Jesus came to earth to save us from our sins.

We celebrate by going to church the night before Christmas. Then in the morning we get up and open presents.

Then we get ready and go to my grandma's house for breakfast. We play outside and open more presents. Then we come home and go to bed.

#### What Christmas Means to Me By Oliver Hagenhoff

Christmas means getting together with family and celebrating Jesus' birthday.

I get up at 6:00, wake my brother, then start shaking presents to try and figure out which ones are LEGOS.

I wake up mom and wait on dad. We go to mom's side of the family for Christmas Eve, then we go nighty night at the end of the day.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Brena Groose

Christmas means a lot to me because my family and I celebrate Jesus' birthday together. Our elves come to our house on Dec. 1, and move to a different place in our house until Christmas. My family and I watch a lot of Christmas movies in December. On Christmas Eve we go to our grandma's house and open presents.

On Christmas Day we sit around the tree and open our presents together. If it snowed, we would go sledding outside. When we are done sledding we go inside and drink hot chocolate and watch Christmas movies

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Alayna Wood

Christmas means a lot to me because we celebrate Jesus' birth. First, we go to church. The church is always decorated and in the front of the church is a big nativity scene. Mary and Joseph, along with baby Jesus are part of the nativity scene.

After Mass is done, we go to our house. We eat a big meal and open presents. Then we end the day with a Christmas movie. I love the movie "Christmas Vacation."

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Magdaline B.

Christmas means it is the time we spend with our family. On Christmas Eve we go to church together to celebrate Jesus' birthday.

I spend time with my family on Christmas Day by watching movies and opening presents.

It is the time we make people happy by

learn about Jesus. You can also help others to get in the Christmas spirit by singing Christmas songs to them.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Henry

Christmas to me means it is a time for celebrating Jesus' birthday, and we go to our aunt's

My family and I go and eat food at my aunt's then at 8 or 9 we go to church and sing birthday songs to God.

The meaning of Christmas is a time of spending time with Jesus. Then after church we go and open presents with my family and play cards. But I don't play cards. Then we go home and look at the Santa

tracker. He is normally close. When my sister and I are the first ones up, we try to wake up my brother and mom and dad and open presents. We put Jesus in his crib on Christmas Day. It

is fun.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Elsie

Christmas is a time when you feel the joy that comes every year. The love that spreads gives joy to children and parents. It is when family get together at this time of year to celebrate Jesus' birthday

The meaning of Christmas is a time of spending time with family. It is a time to go to Jesus' house to celebrate with Him. I feel joy by giving money to the poor and homeless.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Madison

Christmas means spreading joy and love. I spread joy and love by doing a Christmas program. Christmas also means celebrating Jesus' birthday and spending time with family.

For example, on Christmas I help my cousin Jordan by babysitting her 4-year-old daughter Bella. On Christmas I also get to hold the 3month-old, Colton.

My family gathers together, opens presents and plays together.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Brooklin B

Christmas is a time to celebrate Jesus' birthday. It is a time to spend time and have fun with family. My family and I go to Jesus' house to celebrate with Him.

The meaning of Christmas to me is a time to help others. It was the day Jesus was born and we spread joy to others and spread Christmas cheer with friends and family.

Christmas is a time to spend with family and friends. My family and I decorate the tree and put the star on top. We also have dinner with all of the family and open presents.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Vivian Pringer

Christmas means we celebrate Jesus' birthday and are happy. The meaning of Christmas is a time of spreading joy and happiness to others. When it's Christmas, you also go to Jesus' house to celebrate with Him.

On Christmas you spend time with your family and friends and you also help others by giving gifts to them.

As a family we celebrate Jesus' birthday by saying the rosary.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Nolan

Christmas means to me a time of celebrating Jesus' very joyful birthday. It is a time for helping others and a time for spreading joy, like giving presents.

aunts and uncles come to Spalding Hall to celebrate. When we get there, around noon, everyone unloads gifts and puts them under the tree they have set up there. When everyone is done unloading and settled, we sit around and talk, play games and set out snacks and food.

Then we go to Christmas Eve Mass. And after that we head back to Spalding Hall. When we get there we usually eat, then open presents. And when that's all done we sit around and talk, or play games until the end of the night.

On Christmas Day I get up really early and check my stocking, then sit on the couch and watch Christmas movies until the rest of my family wakes up. Once my family wakes up they check their stockings and get ready to open presents. We open presents, then once we are done everybody is usually looking at the stuff they got.

Once we get all the wrapping paper and gifts picked up, we go eat breakfast, then get ready to head to my grandpa's house on my dad's side. At my grandpa's house we hang out, talk and spend time with grandpa. Then later in the evening we head home and spend the rest of the night there.

We celebrate Christmas with my dad's side of the family a week after Christmas, when all my cousins, aunts and uncles who live far away come and visit each other. We have a meal there and people bring lots of snacks and cookies.

When we open gift, we have the kids open their presents first, then the adults do a gift exchange. When the gifts are done we do some tiny Christmas games with prizes for adults and kids. They are really fun, and once those are over everyone sits around, talks and plays games until everyone leaves.

Christmas is a time where I get to spend time with friends and family I don't see very often and have fun with them. That's why Christmas is my favorite time of the year.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Alex H

Christmas means spending time with family and friends throughout the season. We go to Christmas Eve Mass and visit my grandparents. After Mass, we watch a movie and go to bed.

In the morning we wake up mom and dad to open our gifts and eat a good breakfast. Then we go to mom's side of the family for Christmas. We go to my dad's side of the family a few weeks after Christmas and see my other cousins.

Christmas to me is spending time with people we love.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Jacob B

Christmas is a time that you recognize Jesus birth. What my family does is we go to Christmas Mass every year. We also watch Christmas movies and eat popcorn.

Christmas is a time when you can spend time with your family. We go to both grands and grandpas before Christmas. We usually spend the whole day there, talking with other family members and eating. The Christmas season is my favorite season of the year.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Jessi W

Christmas means spending time with family and people who are like family. What my family and I do is we would go to Grandma Carol's house. At her house we eat dinner together, open presents and play games. One of the games we have played is "Saran wrap ball." How you play this game is my grandma would wrap gift cards, money, candy, mints and gum.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Madelyn D

Christmas to me means celebrating Jesus' birth. Jesus is the reason for the season and is the main part of the holidays. My family celebrates Christmas all Advent long. We bake cookies, decorate the house, get everything ready so we can just focus on family and Jesus on Christmas Eve and Day.

On Christmas Eve we go to my aunt and uncle's house to see family who are visiting for the holidays and just hang out, eat snacks and lunch. If there is a football game on, we will usually be watching that.

We then get ready to go to Christmas Eve Mass. This is always so special and beautiful, with all the singing. Listening to all the readings and hearing the Gospel and listening to the homily. At the end of the Mass, the choir will sing "We Wish You A Merry Christmas."

After church, we go back to our house, take a picture by the tree, turn on the Christmas lights and get the presents. My family will then go back to my aunt's and uncle's house and have a shrimp boil. My uncles and cousins will boil the shrimp outside, even if it is freezing. We eat shrimp and snacks, then wait about an hour to open Christmas presents, youngest to oldest.

On Christmas Day I open my presents with my family, then we go to my grandpa's house and spend time with my mom's side of the family. We play cards, eat snacks, open presents and just hang out.

Christmas is a season of giving and of Jesus' birth. Christmas is my favorite holiday and I am so glad I get to spend it with my family and Jesus.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Romie G

Christmas is a time for happiness and joy to be spread around the world. It is also a time for giving, like god gave His only son for us. It is the celebration of the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.

We have a special Christmas dinner every year at our grandma's house. She always prepares a very big meal, with a lot of guests. Afterward, we pass around presents for everyone. This kind of tradition is one I look forward to every year.

Christmas is a very special time and a very important holiday. During this time we spend it with everyone we love.

#### What Christmas Means to Me

by Jacob E Christmas to me means spending time with family. On Christmas we also celebrate Jesus birth.

We visit friends on Christmas and go to see grandmas and grandpas. I go to church on the eekends.

It is also about opening gifts from family members. Christmas is my favorite season of the year.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Nicholas V

There are many things Christmas means to me. I go to my grandparents' house, have lunch together and open gifts.

My family and I attend Christmas Eve Mass and celebrate the birth of Jesus on Christmas. Christmas is my favorite season of the year.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Natalie G

Christmas is a time where we go to Mass and spend time with family and friends. Christmas is not all about gifts. It is a time to celebrate the

spreading joy around the world. I make people happy by making cookies and giving them presents. Making people happy is what Jesus wants in the world

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Charlotte

What Christmas means to me is to spread Christmas spirit. It is a time to spend with family and play games. You can have fun with family and open presents and games. If there is snow, we build a snowman with family and have fun in the snow.

It is time to spread joy to the world and always make people happy too. But the most important part of Christmas is to celebrate Jesus' birthday. You go to church to pray and to

I like to spend time with my family on Christmas. I also like helping other people on Christmas Day. The meaning of Christmas is going to Jesus' House to celebrate Him.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Shane B

Christmas means spending time with friends, family and loved ones to celebrate the holiday

Christmas means waking up on Christmas morning and opening presents as a family and watching Christmas movies while I wait for the rest of my family to wake up.

On Christmas Eve we celebrate with my mom's side of the family and all my cousins,

The adults in the family would put on oven mitts and try to unwrap the ball, but when the person with the dice on your left rolls a double on the dice they pass it to the person who had the dice, and usually in the middle there would be 50 dollars.

On Christmas Day, after we open presents, we would go to my aunt and uncle's house and socialize with family, eat dinner, open presents and have a game night. The games we would all play are Left, Right, Center, Farckle, and the adults would play poker or some other card games.

For dinner we would have macaroni and cheese, some kind of beef or pork, salad and egg nog. Christmas is a meaningful time for me.

birth of Jesus.

What I like about Christmas is that we get gifts and we are off from school. I also like setting up the tree and celebrating the birth of Jesus. Christmas time is also a time of giving and a special time of the year.

#### What Christmas Means to Me by Brody Schulte

On Christmas Day we stay home and open presents. We also open our stockings.

Then we go to grandma's house and open presents and eat breakfast.

After that, we go to my other grandma's house and eat supper and open presents.

#### pre-kindergarten Santa letters OLOS

Dear Santa,

good some of the time.

What I would like most this Christmas is vanity and a go kart, and I promise to leave Santa out cookies for you!

Merry Christmas Santa

Love, Hatte Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 3 years good all of the time. old. This year I have been good all of the time.

leave out cookies for you!

Merry Christmas Santa Love, Cohen

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been good some of the time.

What I would like most this promise to leave **PRESENT** for you!

Merry Christmas Santa Love, Hoyt

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been good all of the time.

What I would like most this good some of the time. Christmas is go kart and baby stuff, and I promise to leave out cookies for you! Merry Christmas Santa Love,

Maelyn

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been good some of the time.

What I would like most this good all of the time. This Christmas I am 3 years Christmas is a yo yo and a out cookies, milk and carrots monster trucks, and for you!

Merry

Love, Ada Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 4 years Dear Santa, old. This year I have been What I would like most this good all of the time. Christmas is karaoke

What I would like most this machine, a tractor for my most this Christmas is Gabby letter for you!

Merry Christmas Santa Love, Kinsley Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been good all of the time.

What I would like most this good some of the time. Christmas is robot and Christmas is Optimus Prime Pokemon cards, and I with chainsaw for arm. I out promise to leave out milk and cookies for you!

Merry Christmas Santa Love, Patrick

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been What I would like most this good all of the time. Christmas is toy gun and a toy earth, and I promise to leave Christmas is a Transformer out cookies, milk and carrots for you! Merry Christmas Santa Love, Emmett Dear Santa, This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been

What I would like most this old. This year I have been doll, and I promise to leave Christmas is race cars and old. This year I have been I promise to leave out cookies

Love, Jaxson

This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been

Christmas is cars and a race brother, and a baby for my dollhouse and a go-kart, and car track, and I promise to sister. I promise to leave out a I promise to leave out carrots, cookies and milk for you! Merry Christmas Santa Love, Austin

> Dear Santa, This Christmas I am 4 years old. This year I have been

> What I would like most this Christmas is ice skates and mermaid stickers, and I promise to leave out a baby doll for you!

Dear Santa, This Christmas I am 5 years old. This year I have been

What I would like most this semi and a sticker calendar, and I promise to leave out cookies and chocolate milk

Merry Christmas Santa Love, Wade

Dear Santa,

This Christmas I am 5 years good all of the time.

What I would like most this Christmas stuffed is triceratops and a doll that transforms, and I promise to leave out cookies for you! Merry Christmas Santa Love, Caroline





Christmas and milk for you! Merry Christmas Santa

What I would like

Merry Christmas Santa Love, Mia

for you!