

MINI Reading Comprehensions

It was Christmas Day. Jed 1) _____ up and had a shower. He felt very excited. Then he 2) _____ downstairs. He 3) _____ the living room door and he 4) _____ at the tree. He 5) _____ lots of presents under the tree! He 6) _____ for joy! He 7) _____ to the tree and he began to open his presents. Then his dog Barney 8) _____ up to him and 9) _____ his face. Barney was a good dog and Jed loved him. Jed 10) _____ Barney his present – a big tin of dog biscuits!

Licked opened got jumped went gave looked
saw came ran

Bolt was a good dog. A beautiful golden retriever. He was big, brave and loyal. He loved his family Mr and Mrs Smith, Tom and Jane and they loved him. So it broke his doggy heart when they bought a kitten. The kitten was a tiny black thing that they named Fluffy. Bolt couldn't understand why they loved the kitten so much. It seemed to him that they didn't take him for as many walks, either. They would say 'Oh look at Fluffy! Isn't she sweet!' It was December and it had snowed so much that the whole village was like a big white blanket. On Christmas morning, the family woke early. They were so excited. They gathered round the tree. Bolt joined them, but there was no Fluffy. Hours passed and still no Fluffy! Tom and Jane began to cry and all the family went out looking for the kitten. They looked everywhere, but couldn't find her. Then Bolt got a faint scent of her. He found her under a pile of snow. She was frozen stiff! Bolt licked her with his big tongue until she wriggled. She said 'Meow' to thank him. Bolt wagged his tail till it whipped his face! He was pleased to make his family happy again. After that, Bolt the retriever and Fluffy the kitten became firm friends.



Match up the sentence parts.

1. Santa climbs
2. The children open
3. The presents are
4. Dad is cooking
5. The bells are
6. The candle is
7. The baubles are
8. Reindeer pull
9. Santa's sack is
10. The carol singers are
11. The children hang their stockings
12. Santa lives in
13. After the dinner, Mum serves
14. On Christmas Eve, children are

- a. ringing
- b. Santa Claus's sleigh
- c. singing
- d. the pudding
- e. full of gifts
- f. down the chimney
- g. on the tree.
- h. under the tree
- i. up on the fireplace
- j. Lapland
- k. their presents
- l. the Christmas turkey
- m. excited.
- n. burning

Look at the picture and answer the questions.

- 1) How many people are around the crib?
- 2) Who is in the crib?
- 3) How many people are standing up?
- 4) How many people are kneeling down?
- 5) What is the man in the purple robe holding?
- 6) Who do you think the man in the purple robe is?
- 7) Who is standing beside the man in the purple robe?
- 8) Who are they looking at?
- 9) How many animals are in the picture?
- 10) What is the king who is holding a green bottle wearing?
- 11) Do you like the picture? Justify your answer.



Answer TRUE or FALSE.

- 1) Bolt was a poodle.
- 2) Bolt was a faithful dog who loved his humans.
- 3) Tom is Mr and Mrs Smith's son.
- 4) The family bought another dog.
- 5) Fluffy was a small black and white kitten.
- 6) Bolt was happy that the family had bought a kitten.
- 7) It was summer and the weather was lovely.
- 8) On Christmas morning, the family gathered round the Christmas tree, but the kitten was not there.
- 9) The kitten was up the chimney.
- 10) They went out looking for Fluffy.
- 11) Bolt found her under a lot of snow.

KEY

Missing words: 1 got 2 went 3 opened 4 looked 5 saw 6 jumped 7 ran 8 came 9 licked 10 gave

Match up:

1f, 2k, 3h, 4l, 5a, 6n, 7g, 8b, 9e, 10c, 11i, 12j, 13d, 14m.

NOTE: Some children hang their stockings by their beds...

TRUE or FALSE

1 F 2T 3T 4F 5T 6F 7F 8T 9F 10T 11T

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This link inspired my little story – although it is it! not how I remembered