FREE PREVIEW - NOT THE COMPLETE GAME

Santa's Present Shuffle: opening story page and reminder cards. This extract does not contain a complete story. The full pack has three complete stories, host rules and offline screen edition.

The Missing Golden Ribbon

Family gathering • Story 1 • Part 1 of 4 • Reader notes are not read aloud

The village party was almost ready, but the golden ribbon for the final present had vanished. Ada looked **LEFT** towards the tree, then **LEFT** towards a suspiciously glittery trail on the carpet.

Grandad announced that he was an excellent ribbon detective. He turned **LEFT**, adjusted his paper crown, and marched **LEFT** around the sofa. Unfortunately, his slippers squeaked so loudly that nobody could hear his important announcement.

By the fireplace sat a small wooden train. Ada pointed **RIGHT** at its engine and **LEFT** at its last carriage. Every carriage carried a tiny parcel, but none carried the missing ribbon.

The family dog, Pickle, appeared wearing one woolly sock. He glanced **LEFT** at the biscuit tin, then **LEFT** at Grandad. This was not a confession; Pickle simply hoped detectives might offer snacks.

Auntie Jo brought in a tray of warm drinks. She stepped **LEFT** around the wrapping paper and **RIGHT** around Pickle. On her sleeve was a golden thread, which made everyone gasp dramatically.

Passing reminders

Optional tabletop reminders • Cut out • Read the words, not the reader’s position

LEFT

Pass to YOUR left neighbour.

RIGHT

Pass to YOUR right neighbour.

PAUSE

Wait until everyone holds one parcel.