

Letters to Santa

English
Short Story

Answers to Exercises

check yourself

1. Questions & Answers

Question	Answer
1. What is in the middle of the North Pole?	There is a big forest in the middle of the North Pole.
2. From whom do the mountains guard the forest?	The mountains guard the forest from strangers.
3. Whose house is in the middle of the forest?	This is the house of Santa Claus.
4. Who helps Santa with letters?	Three elves help Santa with letters.
5. What is there in the Sorting Room?	In the Sorting Room there are a lot of pictures of Santa, a wooden table, a huge fireplace, twelve wooden chairs, a big wooden armchair and a lot of sacks with letters.
6. What are the elves doing?	The elves are sorting the letters.
7. What do children want in their letters?	Children want iPads, iPhones, PlayStations and toys.
8. Why is Santa sad?	Santa is sad because children do not read anymore.
9. What does Suzan want?	Suzan wants to win at Children's Voice Show.
10. Why does Santa become happy again?	Santa becomes happy because Mark is selfless, caring and polite. So, there is hope for the better future, for happiness and peace.

2. True or false?

	Statement	T	F
1.	In the North Pole there is a big lake.		✓
2.	High mountains guard the forest from strangers.	✓	
3.	Santa Claus lives in a small house with a green roof and a blue chimney.		✓
4.	Three trolls help Santa with letters.		✓
5.	The elves are in the Sorting Room.	✓	
6.	On the walls there are a lot of pictures of Santa.	✓	
7.	There is a huge fireplace in the middle of the Sorting Room.		✓
8.	The table is covered with T-shirts.		✓
9.	Mixi loses the bet.		✓
10.	Children want only books and sweets.		✓
11.	Jack want one Lego set from all Lego collections.	✓	
12.	Suzan wants to win at Children's Voice Show.	✓	
13.	Suzan asks Santa to send her one of his elves.	✓	
14.	Mark is ten years old.		✓
15.	Mark is a selfless, polite and caring boy.	✓	

3. Choose the correct answer

- There is a big ... in the North Pole.
 - lake
 - forest
 - store
- High mountains make a ... around the forest.
 - circle
 - square
 - cake
- In the middle of the forest there is a big ... house with a red roof and red chimney.
 - glass
 - diamond
 - wooden
- Three ..., Mixi, Boxi and Doxi, are helping Santa with letters from children..
 - elves
 - goblins
 - trolls
- Now the elves are sitting in the ... Room.
 - Bath
 - Sorting
 - living
- He likes sitting in it in the evening and reading letters, talking to elves or just watching the dance of
 - elves
 - flames
 - ballet dancers
- The table is covered with ...
 - envelopes and letters
 - sweets and cookies

- c) T-shirts and trousers
8. Mixi comes up to Boxi and Doxi and flicks them on the ... because they have lost the bet.
a) nose b) **forehead** c) leg
9. Mixi takes a letter from the ... that they have not sorted yet and gives it to Santa.
a) bag b) backpack c) **pile**
10. Boxi is laughing ... than the others.
a) happier b) **louder** c) lower
11. He takes the letter out of the envelope and looks it ... for a minute.
a) **through** b) at c) for
12. Can you send ... one of your elves to help me with cleaning?
a) **over** b) in c) from
13. This will cheer you ..., Santa!
a) off b) **up** c) away
14. Can you also give my little sister new ...?
a) coat b) shoes c) **teeth**
15. And until there is one ... and caring child in the world, I think not everything is lost.
a) selfish b) **selfless** c) egoistic

4. Put letters into correct order to make a word

1) dagur	guard
2) hicmnye	chimney
3) liehgs	sleigh
4) domest	modest
5) venepelo	envelope
6) refodaeh	forehead
7) reednier	reindeer
8) druneth	thunder
9) fiechrekdnah	handkerchief
10) celaprefi	fireplace
11) lencesi	silence
12) qaslue	squeal
13) lessfels	selfless
14) purpost	support
15) ceivo	voice

5. Put the words into correct order to make sentences from the text.

1) there Pole Somewhere forest in the of the middle North is a big.	Somewhere in the middle of the North Pole there is a big forest.
2) walls There a huge at of the fireplace is one.	There is a huge fireplace at one of the walls
3) The covered letters is with envelopes and table.	The table is covered with envelopes and letters.
4) Finally, wishes put the box with similar into the they letter.	Finally, they put the letter into the box with similar wishes.
5) my wishing has whole list He.	He has my whole wishing list.
6) face smile and Both disappear from his joy.	Both smile and joy disappear from his face.
7) fair That's not!	That's not fair!
8) to is happening What kids?	What is happening to kids?
9) flames can crackling only merry of in the One fireplace hear.	One can only hear merry crackling of flames in the fireplace.
10) some For time, is Santa at his assistants looking.	For some time, Santa is looking at his assistants.