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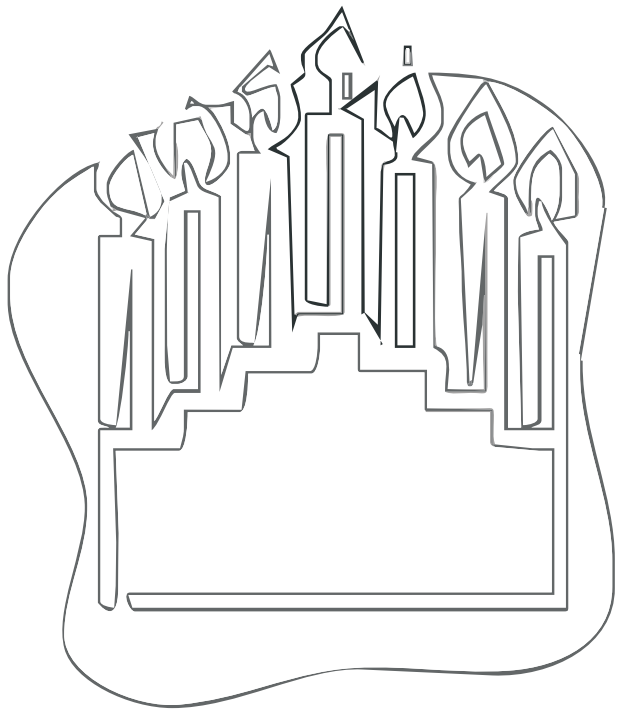
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**PRE OPENING ACTIVITIES**  
**Kwanzaa Kinara**



**Holiday Around The World Puzzle**

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**WORDS FOR HOLIDAY AROUND THE WORLD**

**BOXING DAY**  
**KWANZAA**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
**LA BEFANA**  
**CRECHE**  
**LAS POSADAS**

**DIWALI**  
**LILLE JULEFTEN**  
**FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS**  
**O-SHOGATSU**  
**HANUKKAH**  
**ST. NICHOLAS DAY**

Answers To Holiday Around The World Puzzle

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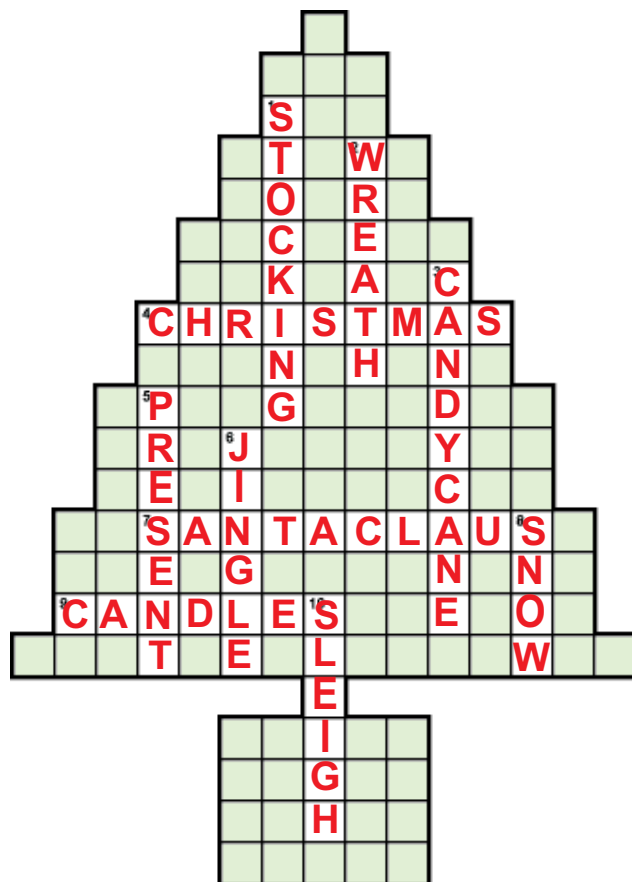
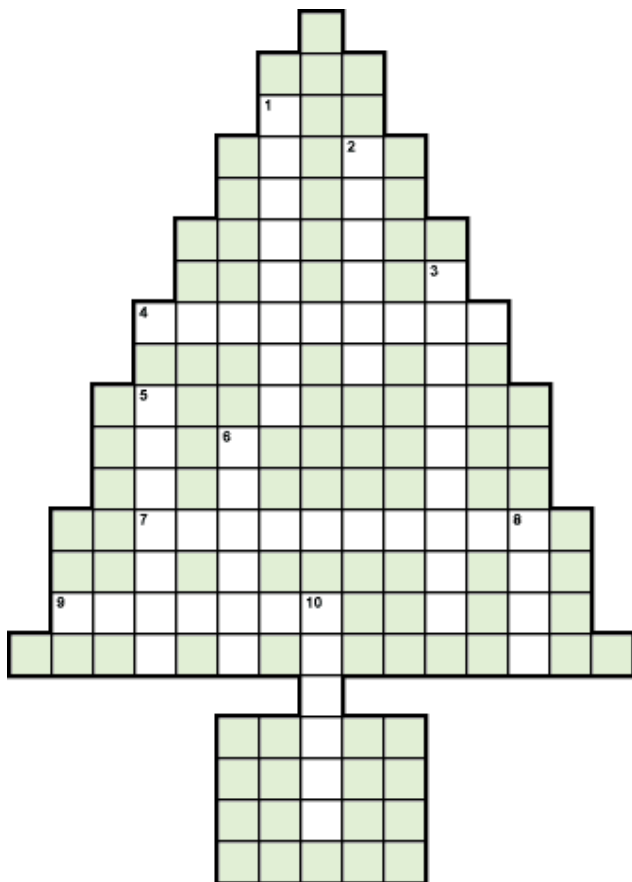
- 4 Merry \_\_\_\_\_!
- 7 Brings presents to good boys and girls.
- 9 These are made of wax and have wicks.

Down

- 1 A sock filled with goodies on Christmas day.
- 2 Circular decoration often hung on doors
- 3 A red and white treat
- 5 A gift
- 6 The sound bells make.
- 8 Ice crystals
- 10 A vehicle mounted on runners and pulled by horses or dogs; for transportation over snow.



<http://www.abcteach.com/wordpuzzles/Crosswords/Christmas.html>



Here are some Christmas related facts that will arouse your interest.

By <http://www.theholidayspot.com/christmas/facts.htm>

**In the Ukraine**, if you find a spider web in the house on Christmas morning, it is believed to be a harbinger of good luck! There once lived a woman so poor, says a Ukrainian folk tale, that she could not afford Christmas decorations for her family. One Christmas morning, she awoke to find that spiders had trimmed her children's tree with their webs. When the morning sun shone on them, the webs turned to silver and gold. An artificial spider and web are often included in the decorations on Ukrainian Christmas trees.

**At Christmas**, it is traditional to exchange kisses beneath the [mistletoe](#) tree. In ancient Scandinavia, mistletoe was associated with peace and friendship. That may account for the custom of "kissing beneath the mistletoe".

**'Klaxon'** is a name that does not belong to one of Santa's reindeer. A klaxon is actually a powerful electric horn. Its name comes from a German word meaning "shriek".

**In many households**, part of the fun of eating Christmas pudding is finding a trinket that predicts your fortune for the coming year. For instance, finding a coin means you will become wealthy. A ring means you will get married; while a button predicts bachelorhood. The idea of hiding something in the pudding comes from the tradition in the Middle Ages of hiding a bean in a cake that was served on Twelfth Night. Whoever found the bean became "king" for the rest of the night.

Frumenty was a spiced porridge, enjoyed by both rich and poor. It was a forerunner of modern Christmas puddings. It is linked in legend to the Celtic god Dagda, who stirred a porridge made up of all the good things of the earth.

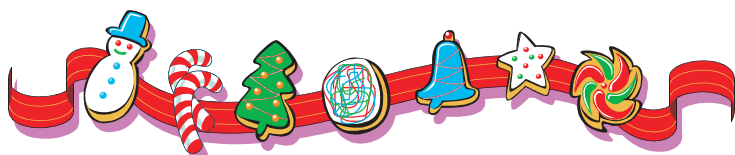
**In Greek legend**, malicious creatures called Kallikantzaroi sometimes play troublesome pranks at Christmas time. In order to get rid of them, salt or an old shoe is burnt. The pungent burning stench drives off, or at least helps discourage, the Kallikantzaroi. Other techniques include hanging a pig's jawbone by the door and keeping a large fire so they can't sneak down the chimney.

**The poinsettia** is a traditional [Christmas flower](#). In Mexico (its original birthplace), the poinsettia is known as the "[Flower](#) of the Holy Night".

**Louis Prang**, a Bavarian-born lithographer who came to the USA from Germany in the 19th century, popularized the sending of printed Christmas cards. He invented a way of reproducing color [oil paintings](#), the "chromolithograph technique", and created a card with the message "Merry Christmas" as a way of showing it off.

**The "Urn of Fate"** is part of the Christmas celebrations in many Italian households. The Urn of Fate is brought out on Christmas Eve. It holds a wrapped present for everyone. The mother tries her luck first, then the others in turn. If you get a present with your name on it, you keep it; otherwise, you put it back and try again.

**In Sweden**, a common [Christmas decoration](#) is the Julbukk, a small figurine of a goat. It is usually made of straw. Scandinavian Christmas festivities feature a variety of straw decorations in the form of stars, angels, hearts and other shapes, as well as the Julbukk.



## Quotations

By <http://www.theholidayspot.com/christmas/quotations.htm>

1. "The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree: the presence of a happy [family](#) all wrapped up in each other."  
~ Burton Hillis
2. "If there is no joyous way to give a festive gift, give love away."  
~ Unknown
3. "I will honor [Christmas](#) in my heart, and try to keep it all the year."  
~ Charles Dickens
4. "The magi, as you know, were wise men - wonderfully wise men who brought gifts to the Babe in the manger. They invented the art of giving Christmas presents."  
~ O. Henry
5. "Christmas, my child, is love in action. Every time we love, every time we give, it's Christmas."  
~ Dale Evans Rogers
6. "Christmas gift suggestions:  
To your enemy, forgiveness.  
To an opponent, tolerance.  
To a friend, your heart.  
To a customer, service.  
To all, charity.  
To every child, a good example.  
To yourself, respect."  
~ Oren Arnold
7. "Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful."  
~ Norman Vincent Peale
8. "Blessed is the season which engages the whole world in a conspiracy of love."  
~ Hamilton Wright Mabi
9. "I have always thought of Christmas as a good time; a kind, forgiving, generous, pleasant time; a time when men and women seem to open their hearts freely, and so I say, God bless Christmas!"  
~ Charles Dickens
10. "Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas."  
Calvin Coolidge
11. "Love came down at Christmas; love all lovely, love divine; love was born at Christmas, stars and angels gave the sign."  
~ Christina G. Rossetti
12. "Where charity stands watching and faith holds wide the door the dark night wakes - the glory breaks, Christmas comes once more."  
-- Phillips Brooks
13. "Happy, [happy Christmas](#), that can win us back to the delusions of our childhood days, recall to the old man the pleasures of his youth, and transport the traveler back to his own fireside and quiet home! "  
--Charles Dickens
14. "The only real blind person at Christmas-time is he who has not Christmas in his heart."  
Helen Keller
15. "Bless us Lord, this Christmas, with quietness of mind; Teach us to be patient and always to be kind."  
-- Helen Steiner Rice
16. "There is no name so sweet on earth, no name so sweet in heaven, The name, before His wondrous birth, to Christ the Savior given."  
-- George W. Bethune
17. "Christmas is a season for kindling the fire for hospitality in the hall, the genial flame of charity in the heart."  
Washington Irving
18. "Like snowflakes, my Christmas memories gather and [dance](#) - each beautiful, unique and too soon gone."  
-- Deborah Whipp

19. "It is good to be children sometimes, and never better than at Christmas, when its mighty Founder was a child Himself"  
Charles Dickens

20. A Christmas candle is a lovely thing; It makes no noise at all, But softly gives itself away; While quite unselfish, it grows small.  
-- Eva K. Logue

21. "May Peace be your gift at Christmas and your blessing all year through!"  
-- Unknown

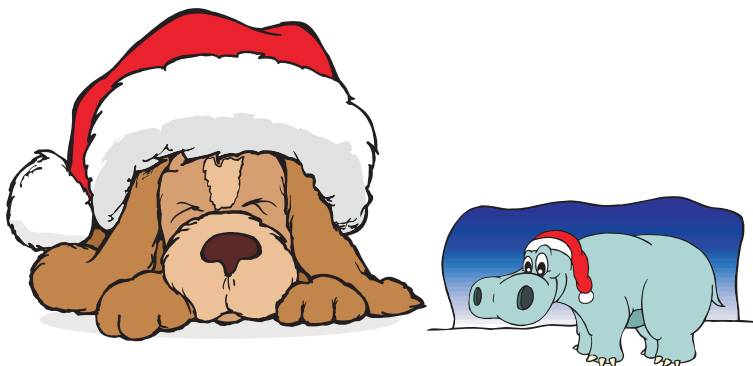
22. Christmas carolers sing about peace on earth, but they don't tell us where.  
Unknown

23. It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air.  
- W. T. Ellis

24. I wish we could put up some of the Christmas spirit in jars and open a jar of it every month.  
- Harlan Miller

25. "The mystery of the Holy Night, which historically happened two thousand years ago, must be lived as a spiritual event in the 'today' of the Liturgy," the Pope clarified. "The Word who found a dwelling in Mary's womb comes to knock on the heart of every person with singular intensity this Christmas."  
Pope John Paul II

26. At Christmas I no more desire a rose  
Than wish a snow in May's new-fangled shows,  
But like of each thing that in season grows.  
William Shakespeare.



**Candy Cane frame**

### **Christmas Superstitions**

It is said :

- "The child born on Christmas Day will have a special fortune."
- "Snow on Christmas means Easter will be green."
- You will have as many happy months in the coming year, as the number of houses you eat mince pies in during Christmastime.
- In Greece, some people burn their old shoes during the Christmas season to prevent misfortunes in the coming year.
- To have good health throughout the next year, eat an apple on Christmas Eve.
- The gates of Heaven open at midnight on Christmas Eve. Those who die then go straight to Heaven (an Irish belief).
- Christmas candles should be left burning until Christmas morning and should rest undisturbed from time of lighting until they are snuffed.



- Singing Christmas carols at any time other than during the festive season is unlucky.

- The yule log should be lit by a piece of the log used on the previous Christmas. Once that is done, no evil spirit can then enter into the house. The remains of the Yule log were also considered lucky, and would be a protection against lightning or fire.

**Japanese Celebration Words**

By Santa Clara County Council

Happy New Year Festival	Akemashite omedeto gozaimasu matsuri
Good morning	Ohayo (gozaimasu)
Good afternoon	Konnichi wa
Good evening	Konban wa
Thank you	Domo arigato (gozaimasu)
You're welcome	Doitashimashite
Good bye	Sayonara
See ya	Ja ne
Wow! (Cool!)	Sugoi!
Father	otosan
Mother	okasan
Let's go!	Ikimasho
Come here.(welcome)	Irasshai (mase)
(Say before you start eating.	
The literal meaning is, "I humbly receive.")	
Itadakimasu	
(Say when you've finished eating.	
The literal meaning is, "It was a feast.") Gochisosama	
Please pass the __, or May I have ____, please?	
_____ kudasai	
Chopsticks	ohashi
Water	omizu
Tea	ocha
Rice	gohan
Soy sauce	shoyu

**NUMBERS**

1	ichi
2	ni
3	san
4	yon
5	go
6	roku
7	nana
8	hachi
9	kyu
10	ju



**Openings**

**Opening Ceremony 2**

By Santa Clara County Council

**Setting-** Cub Scouts come on stage one at a time, carrying appropriate props, and line up facing the audience. A narrator reads the poem. (Boy 1 enters, carrying a wreath with sign on it saying "Season's Greetings".)

**Narrator:** Season's greetings to everyone, We're glad you joined us for the fun; 'Tis certainly the happy time of the year, with everyone bursting with Holiday Cheer. (Boy 2 enters, carrying a globe with some Christmas tinsel wrapped around the base.)

**Narrator:** Each country has its special ways of celebrating the Holidays. Let's see what other people do to celebrate their customs, too. (Boy 3 enters carrying a candle.)

**Narrator:** On Christmas Eve in Ireland, candles shine so bright, as children place them in windows, to shine into the night. (Boy 4 enters carrying a piñata.)

**Narrator:** In Mexico the children gather goodies from the floor after they break the Piñata filled with prizes by the score.

**Starry Night**

(Dim or turn off room lights except for an electric candle or flashlight)

This is the season of lights and stars, when days are short and nights are long with beautiful stars. Lord Baden-Powell, the founder of Scouting, once said this to his scouts, "I often think when the sun goes down, the world is hidden by a big blanket from the light of heaven. But the stars are little holes pierced in that blanket by those who have done good deeds in this world. The stars are not all the same size; some are big, and some are little. So some men have done great deeds, and some men have done small deeds, but they have all made their hole in the blanket by doing good before they went to heaven."

Let's remember when we look at the starry sky, to make our own hole in the blanket, by doing good deeds and helping other people.

**Opening Ceremony**

**Preparation:** Find the following items and attach the words for that item on them somewhere.

Candle, wreath, candy cane, red tree ornament, and star tree topper.

Put all items in a basket to have boys pull out during ceremony. You could predetermine who is

going to pull out what from the basket, reminding them that the star is last if you use the alternative ending. This is a ceremony that you can be creative with, you can add other items as necessary for the number of boys in your den.

**Candle:** This is the candle Mary and Joseph used to find their way in the dark.

**Wreath:** This wreath symbolizes the eternal nature of man; it has no beginning and no end.

**Candy cane:** This candy cane reminds me of the shepherd's crook used at the time of the birth of Christ.

**Red tree ornament:** This ornament is used to symbolize the blood Jesus shed for us.

**Star tree topper:** This star is a symbol of the "new star" seen when Jesus was born.

**Alternative ending:** This star is a symbol of the "new star" seen when Jesus was born; it is also a part of our American flag, let's stand and pledge allegiance to that flag.

### DEN DOODLE

#### What do you want to do at Holiday time?

Put a thin dowel or birthday candle in a pony bead. The pony bead becomes the candle stand.



### AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

#### A Trip Through Santa's Workshop

**Narrator:** Hi folks. We've had a special invitation from old Santa himself to come up and visit his toyshop at the North Pole. He told me that we must make our trip through the toyshop as quietly as possible, so we won't disturb the elves or the toys. You see, the toys come to life when they see visitors, so if they spot us we may have to pretend we're toys too. The elves get very nervous when they see people. So you just follow me and do exactly as I do and we'll be able to visit without disturbing anyone. Come on. Let's follow Santa. (Walking in place) on a trip through his toyshop. Since the hour's late, we can't take time to stop (hold finger to lips and hump over, pretending to sneak by). Sh-h-h, the jack-in-the-box is sound asleep, so come on quietly and past him we'll creep Look! There's the dancing ballerina (point ahead with finger) standing on one toe. Oh no! She saw us! So round and round we go (hold one hand over head and turn around several times.) Now that the ordeal is over, let's continue on our way (walking in place); we want to see some more but too long we cannot stay.

Look over there to the right, (shade eyes with hand, point to right) back in that corner dark; I think that I can see a very tiny spark (pretend to be quietly sneaking up on something). Oh, it's an elf I see, building a Rudolph toy. Oh, oh, he sees us! Pretend you're not a boy! (Cup hand over nose to simulate Rudolph's large nose while saying "blink, blink, blink"). Whew! That was a close call (wipe brow with hand) but we fooled him I guess. We'd better follow Santa (walk in place) before we get into a mess. Oh, Santa has stopped again (stop walking and hold up hand in halt sign). I wonder what he sees. Uh oh, look out, I think I'm going to sneeze! (Hold finger under nose while saying a-a-a-choo!) Oh my goodness, that did it! Come on, we'd better run (start running in place). Let's hurry and get out of here, or it may not be such fun! Come on and blink your nose (all do as before while running in place) as past the Rudolph's we run, just to make the elf think that we are one. There's the ballerina, dancing on her toe. Let's twirl around once (all twirl while continuing running) so past her we can go. Here's the jack-in-the-box, let's get down low and crouch, (get down low and sneak quietly by. Here's the jack-in-the-box, let's get down and crouch, (get down low and sneak quietly by). Out he comes with a b-o-i-n-g! (All shout "boing" as they spring up high in the air and then sit back down in chairs) Now we're back home on the couch! (Drop in chair with hands hanging down sides; wipe brow.

#### The House Where Santa Claus Lives

**House** - hands over head in a inverted V  
**Shed** - hand in front of chest in an inverted V  
**Sled**- hands together in waving motion, left to right.  
**Reindeer** - one hand, palm out, at each side of head as antlers  
**Pack** - both hands over right shoulder as if carrying a load  
**Little girls** - all girls, young and old, stand up  
**Little boys** - all boys, young and old, stand up  
**Box** - show dimensions of the box, length and width, with hands  
**Doll** - both hands under right side of head, as if asleep  
**Lion** - Extend both hands and paws and give a deep growl  
**Soldier** - Give the Cub Scout salute while at attention  
**Santa Claus**- pat stomach with both hands and say "Ho, Ho, Ho"

This is the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives. This is the **Sled** behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives.

This is the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives. These are the **Reindeer** that pull the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives. This is old **Santa Claus** who guides the **Reindeer** that pull the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives.

This is the **Pack** all filled with toys for good **Little Girls** and good **Little Boys** that is carried by old **Santa Claus** who guides the **Reindeer** that pull the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** that is behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives.

This is the **Box** that is in the **Pack** all filled with toys for good **Little Girls** and good **Little Boys** that is carried by old **Santa Claus** who guides the **Reindeer** that pull the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** that is behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives.

This is the **Doll** that is in the **Box** that is in the **Pack** all filled with toys for good **Little Girls** and good **Little Boys** that is carried by old **Santa Claus** who guides the **Reindeer** that pull the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** that is behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives.

This is the **Lion** that frightened the **Doll** that is in the **Box** that is in the **Pack** all filled with toys for good **Little Girls** and good **Little Boys** that is carried by old **Santa Claus** who guides the **Reindeer** that pull the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** that is behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** lives.

This is the **Soldier** that captured the **Lion** that frightened the **Doll** that is in the **Box** that is in the **Pack** all filled with toys for good **Little Girls** and good **Little Boys** that is carried by old **Santa Claus** who guides the **Reindeer** that pull the **Sled** that is kept in the **Shed** that is behind the **House** where **Santa Claus** wishes you a **Merry Christmas!**

### SKITS

By Santa Clara County Council

#### Trimming The Christmas Tree

**Cast:** Group of Cubs, den leader, Scout staff with sprig of evergreen lashed to the top; materials to make snipping and sawing sounds (You can prerecord these on a cassette tape.)

**Setting:** Den leader is on stage; the Cubs are off to the side. Two Cubs enter.

**Cub #1:** Go ask the den leader how this tree is supposed to look.

**Cub #2** goes to leader, acts out asking question. Leader acts out response. The Cubs run off stage, and audience can hear the sounds of sawing, snipping etc.)

**Cub #3:** (Enters, goes to leader.) Like this?

**Leader:** (Looks over at the Cubs who are positioned to let the leader see, but not the audience.) More off of this side. (Gestures Cub runs off stage.) (More sawing sounds are heard. Repeat this several times, with leader pointing and gesturing about different sides of the tree. Everyone is getting more and more tired. Finally after many sounds of sawing and snipping the Cubs all march over to the leader, carrying the staff with the sprig attached to the top, and show it to the leader and the audience. Leader groans and all leave.)

### Santa's Help-In

**Cast:** Santa with list and empty sack, helpers with red caps, helper "X" with green cap

**Setting:** Santa's workshop with all helpers busy working on toys, whistling or singing "Jingle Bells". Santa enters, puzzled, and desperate, checking his list in his hand.

**SANTA:** Ho! Ho! This is an unusual list from the Cub Scouts of pack \_\_\_. We are running out of time! Good grief!

**HELPER 1:** I've worked hard on trains. Have they run out of brains?

**HELPER 2:** It's clear to see they don't want trucks from me.

**HELPER 3:** Surely Santa, you know the score. That's ho, ho, ho, please tell us more.

**HELPER 4:** I know, great red and white one, they need a change. (Rattles coins in his pocket.)

**HELPER 5:** That's right, wise leader. Any new ideas in our "goody range"?

**HELPER 6:** Me thinks the Cubs are tired of toys. How about more arrow points for those boys?

**HELPER X:** (runs across stage, carrying large cardboard shield with arrow points painted on) Sock it to 'em, Santa! (He places shield in Santa's sack. All stand and bow together, and exit, singing "Jingle Bells.")

### Christmas Tree Tie Slide

by Heart of America Council

#### Materials:

Triangular pieces of wood chips  
Popsicle stick  
Circular piece of wood  
Paint





Beads  
Hot glue  
Small curtain ring  
Glue triangular wood chips for branches of tree on popsicle stick. Add circular piece at the top. Paint green. Trim by painting, adding Hot glue to curtain ring on back.

**Variation:** Glue green felt tree shape to popsicle stick and decorate with beads and sequins.

## CLOSING CEREMONY

### Year's End

By Heart of America Council

**Personnel:** Cubmaster and all Cubs

**Equipment:** Ceremony board or log containing 7 small candles and 1 tall candle representing the Spirit of Scouting.

**Setting:** House lights are dimmed. Cubmaster does this closing with the Dens told before the meeting how to respond.

**Cubmaster:** (Lights the candles) This last ceremony for 19\_\_ is one of rededication. Tonight 4 candles represent the Cub Scout Ranks — Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, and Webelos. Will all Bobcat Cub Scouts and their parents please stand. Bobcats, do you promise in 19\_\_ to do your best to help other people and obey the Law of the Pack, and to advance one rank? Bobcats: We'll do our best. (extinguish Bobcat candle)

**Cubmaster: (Follow same procedure for Wolf and Bear Cub Scouts)**

**Cubmaster:** Will all Webelos and their parents please stand. Webelos do you promise in 19\_\_ to do your best to help other people and obey the Law of the Pack, and earn the Arrow of Light Award if you have not already earned it?

**Webelos: We'll do our best.**

**(extinguish Webelos candle)**

**Cubmaster:** 3 candles and the Spirit of Scouting remain burning. Those 3 candles stand for Follow, Help, and Gives, which means "We'll be loyal." Will you be loyal Cub Scouts in 19\_\_? **(All respond)**

**(3 candles are extinguished)**

The Spirit of Cub Scouting will burn as it does in the hearts of Cub Scouts everywhere. May it continue to burn brightly in your hearts during the year 19\_\_ as we go upward and forward in Pack \_\_\_\_ Good night, Cub Scouts.

**WEBELOS**  
Craftsman

## Recipe for a Wonderful Day

**Personnel:** 8 Cubs

**Equipment:** Cards with key words are turned over as the recipe is read.

**Narrator:** In the season of happy days I'd like you to keep in mind the recipe for a wonderful day - it works all year around.

**Cub 1:** 1 cup **Friendly Words**

**Cub 2:** 2 heaping cups **Understanding**

**Cub 3:** 2 cups milk of **Human Kindness**

**Cub 4:** 2 heaping tablespoons of **Time and Patience**

**Cub 5:** 1 dash Gentle **Humor**

**Cub 6:** 1 pinch **Spice of Life**

**Cub 7:** 1 drop **Warm Personality**

**Narrator:** Measure words carefully. Add cups of understanding to milk of human kindness. Stir together three times to make a smooth paste. Cook with gas on the front burner. Keep temperature low so it never boils over. Season with gentle humor, warm personality and spice of life. Serve in individual molds. Works best with a good mixer.

**To add interest:** Use a large kettle and add ingredients that have been written on cards as someone reads recipe. Use a big spoon to stir.

## Crafts

### Glowing Coffee Can Tree

**Materials:**

6 2-lb. coffee cans

Aluminum foil

Wire

6 babyjars

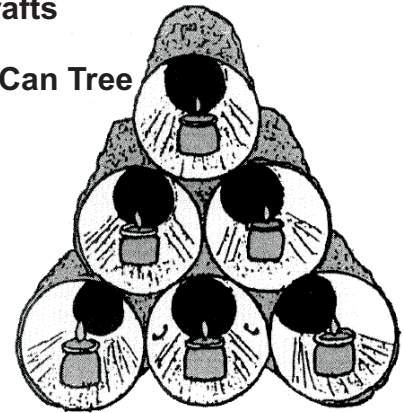
6 1" pieces of wick

Water

Food coloring

Cooking oil

1. Poke a pair of holes in one side of two of the cans, 1/2" from the lip. In a third can, poke two pairs of holes opposite each other. Set these cans next to each other, with the third can in the center. Wire them together as shown.
2. Set two more cans on top of the three, and one can on top of the two. Crumple a large piece of aluminum foil, smooth it out somewhat and wrap it around entire tree of cans, leaving can openings uncovered.
3. For each candle, fill a baby food jar almost to

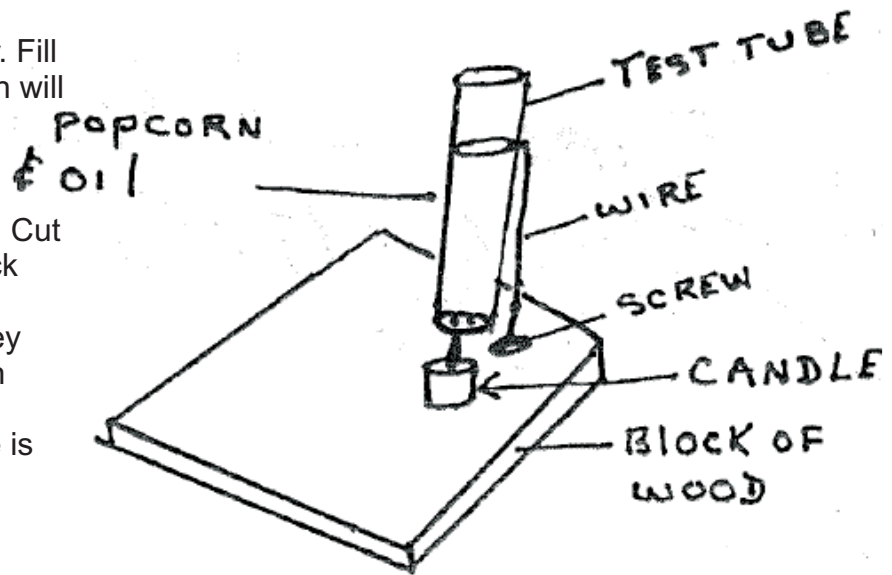


the top with water. Add food coloring to water. Fill the remainder of the jar with cooking oil which will float on top.

4. Cut a small square of foil and poke a small hole in center. Thread wick through the hole, crushing the foil tightly around center of wick. Cut another piece of foil and thread bottom of wick through top of foil as shown.

5. Set foil and wick in each baby food jar. They will float on top of water. Set one jar candle in each coffee can.

6. The candles will remain lit as long as there is oil to burn. When the oil runs out, add more.



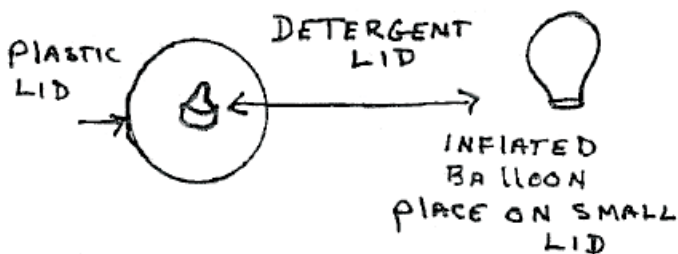
**Webelos Scientist**

By Heart of America Council  
**Flying Saucer**

**Materials:**

- Plastic lid (from a cottage cheese container)
- Screw spout (from a detergent bottle that opens and closes by pulling up and down)
- Large balloon
- Glue

Cut a hole in the center of the plastic lid, just a little smaller than the detergent lid. Glue the detergent lid (screw side down) over the hole. Make sure that the detergent lid is closed. Blow up the balloon. Place the open neck of the balloon over the top of the closed detergent lid. Gently pull the detergent lid while the balloon is still on it. The pressure of the air going out of the balloon will make the lid sail like a flying saucer.



**Pop the Corn**

**Materials:**

- One test tube (popcorn popper)
- Popcorn & oil
- Small block of wood
- Screw
- Piece of wire
- Small candle.

The first one to get his corn to pop is the winner, he must pop two kernels. Each boy must put corn in the test tube and light his own candle

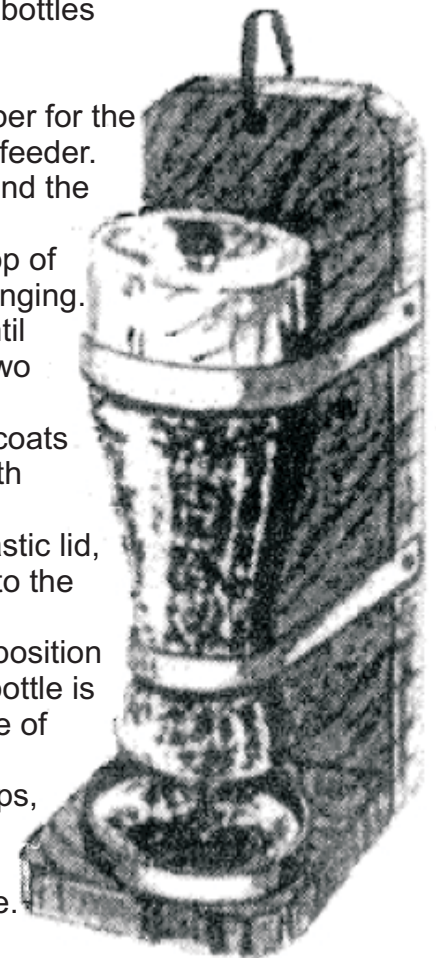
**Webelos Craftsman**

By Heart of America Council  
**Plastic Bottle Bird Feeder**

**Materials:**

- Scrap lumber
- Drill
- Sand paper
- Nails
- Plastic lid 3" diameter
- 2 Clear 22 oz. plastic bottles
- Tack
- Tapered bottle cap

1. Cut 3/4" scrap lumber for the back and base of the feeder. The back is 3" x 12" and the base is 3"x3 1 12"
2. Drill a hole in the top of the back piece for hanging.
3. Sand the pieces until smooth and nail the two together.
4. Stain, use several coats of varnish, or paint with exterior paint.
5. Nail an inverted plastic lid, about 3" in diameter, to the base.
6. Place the bottle in position so the mouth of the bottle is level with the top edge of the plastic lid, and measure. Cut two strips, 1/2" wide and the required length, from a second plastic bottle. Tack one end of the



wo strips to one side of the back (so the bottom strip will be at the narrow part of the bottle). Position the bottle and tack the other ends of the strips in place.

7. Cut a hole in the top of the feeder to fit the small end of a tapered bottle cap; invert the cap and use as a cork. To fill~ the feeder, remove the cap.

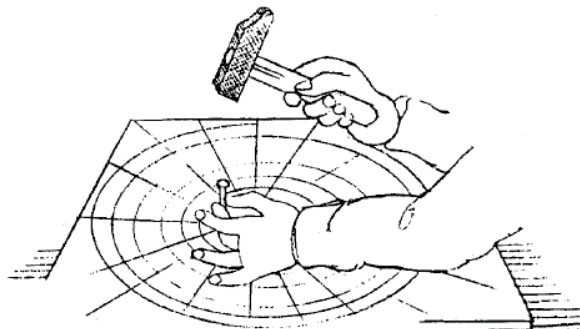
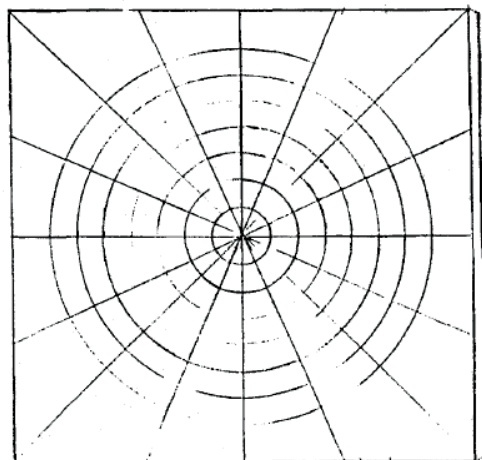
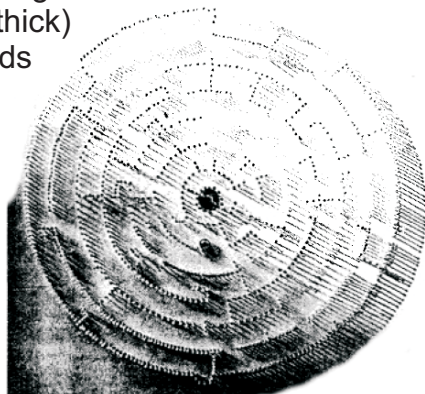
### Nail Maze

#### Materials:

- 2 Pieces 1/2" plywood (20" x 20")
- 1/2 Pound of flat top nails (1" long)
- 1 Screw (1 3/4" long) with wing nut
- 2 Small pieces of wood (1/2" thick) to fit between plywood boards
- 2 Hangers
- Steel ball bearings
- Hammer
- Pliers
- Yardstick
- Pencil
- Paints
- Brushes
- Compass with pencil

With pencil and yardstick, divide one piece of plywood into pie-shaped sections. Make seven circles 1" apart with the compass and pencil. Drill a hole in the very center of each board for the screw. Attach the two hangers in the board without the drawing. Copy the pattern of the nails as shown. Hammer in nails, 3/16" apart, starting at the center and moving outward. Keep nail straight and at the same height. Paint the board and nails. When finished nailing the maze, place the two pieces of wood between the boards. Put the screw through the center holes of both boards. Then attach and tighten the wing nut, so that the boards will stay in place.

**To play:** Place a ball bearing on the nails somewhere near the top. Try to get the ball to roll all the way down to the pocket at the bottom.



### Old Fashioned Lamps

#### Materials:

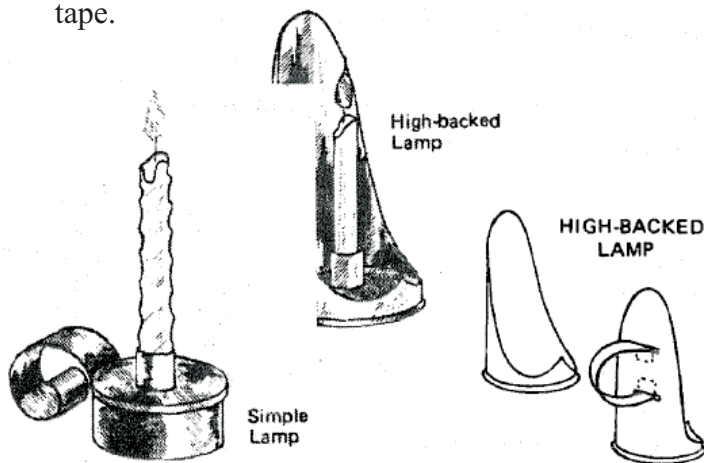
- Aluminum pop cans
- Plastic bottle caps
- Epoxy glue
- Shear
- Work gloves
- Tape
- Hammer & Nail
- Spray paint (metallic or flat black)
- Foil pan
- Orangewood stick
- 14 Gauge wire

#### High-Backed Lamp:

Cut a pot can, as shown. From around the sides of another can, cut a handle 1" x 6". Bend the ends of the handle for tabs and insert the tabs through slits cut in the back of the holder; glue on the inside. To hide the tabs, line the inside of the lamp with a piece cut form a foil pan. Rub the foil with an range wood stick to press out any design. Glue the foil in place, taping until dry.

#### Simple Lamp:

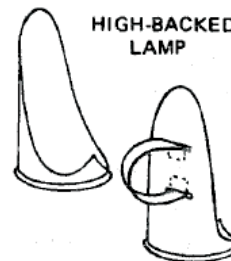
For the base, cut a pop can down to 1" high; tape cut edge and invert. From the cutoff sides of the can, cut a 1" strip for a handle. Curl one end of the strip and insert the other end through a slit cut in the base; bend the end on the inside of the base and tape.



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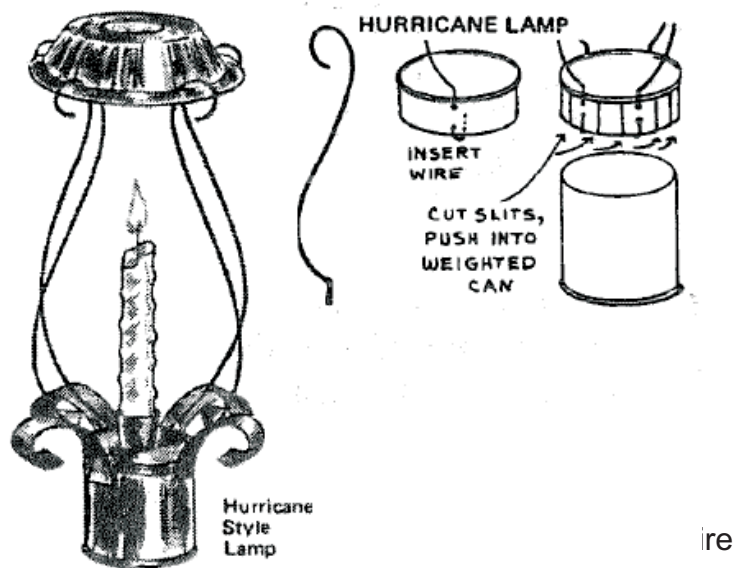


High-backed Lamp



HIGH-BACKED LAMP





14 gauge), each 15 long.  
 Bend the wires, as shown, leaving 1" straight at the bottom and curving the top around a large thread spool. To insert the bottom of each wire, punch 2 holes in the base; bend the end of the wire up to the inside after inserting it. Space the wires evenly around the base of the lamp. Cut slits around the base, about 1" apart, between the wires. Cut another can down to about 2 1/2" high; weight with stones. Push the base inside the weighted can, squeezing the slit sides together for a snug fit. Glue cord around the top edge to cover any exposed part of the slit base. For the top of the lamp, use an inverted foil pot pie pan. Cut out a 1" circle in the top. Punch four evenly spaced holes above the rim. Insert the wires through the holes and re-curve the ends, if necessary.  
 From around the sides of a can, cut 1" x 5" strips to curl and glue around the bottom of the lamp for decoration. Place the candle in the holder, so the top of the candle is at least 3 1/2" from the pot pie pan to prevent smoking.

### WEB SITES

These sites are current as of 10-31-07

#### Chanukah How-To

[http://www.chabad.org/holidays/chanukah/article\\_cdo/aid/103902/jewish/Chanukah-How-To.htm](http://www.chabad.org/holidays/chanukah/article_cdo/aid/103902/jewish/Chanukah-How-To.htm)

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### What Is Kwanzaa?

<http://www.melanet.com/kwanzaa/whatis.html#TOC>

### Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr

#### The month of fasting

<http://www.infoplease.com/spot/ramadan1.html>

### The Symbols and Traditions of Christmas

<http://wilstar.net/xmas/xmassymb.htm>

#### TAKE THE QUIZ TO SEE WHAT YOU KNOW

<http://wilstar.net/xmas/xmasquiz.htm>

#### WANT TO WRITE A LETTER OR POSTCARD TO SANTA, CHECK OUT THIS SITE

<http://www.northpole.com/Mailroom/>

#### GOT TO KNOW WHERE SANTA IS!!

<http://www.northpole.com/NoradSanta.asp>

<http://www.theholidayspot.com/christmas/fun/index.htm>

<http://www.soon.org.uk/country/christmas.htm>

<http://www.theholidayspot.com/christmas/worldxmas/>

<http://www.sowashco.k12.mn.us/Ro/themes/1celebrations/celebrations.htm>

<http://www.holidays.net/crafts.htm>

[http://cards.holidays.net/index.php?step=make\\_card\\_step1&ec\\_id=318&lang=english\\_lang.php](http://cards.holidays.net/index.php?step=make_card_step1&ec_id=318&lang=english_lang.php)

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