**Scanning Activity**

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| Santa’s little helper | Short story |
| It’s Christmas Eve. Santa and Rudolf are getting ready for Christmas.  Santa puts on his red jacket and his red hat.  ‘Ho, ho, ho!’  There are lots of presents in Santa’s sleigh for children around the  world. Now they’re off! |  |

Santa leaves a present for good boys and girls. He eats one mince pie. Then, two, three, four ...

‘Hmm, yum, yum.’

Amy is asleep at home. Santa climbs down the chimney with Amy’s present. But, oh dear ... he is too

fat, he can’t move! ‘Help, Rudolf!’

‘Thank you, Amy. Can you help me take the presents?’ ‘Yes, Santa. Let’s go!’

Amy and Santa fly into the air. They go all around the world with Christmas presents. Amy goes down the chimney and puts the presents under the tree.

‘Catch, Amy.’

‘OK, Santa.’

The sleigh flies back to the North Pole for more presents. Santa’s toy factory is very busy. There are

robots, dolls, balls and teddies.

Amy is at the North Pole. It is snowing. Amy and Rudolf throw snowballs. They have lots of fun.

‘Thank you, Amy. Here’s a special present for you.’ ‘Thanks, Santa. See you again next year!’

‘Thank you, Amy! From Santa.’

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1. **What did Santa put on for Christmas?**

**His red jacket and red hat**

1. **Who did Rudolf help?**

**Santa**

1. **Who did Santa fly into the air with?**

**Amy**

1. **Where is Amy at?**

**At the north pole**

1. **What is Amy and Rudolf doing at the North Pole?**

**They are throwing snowballs.**