

Ho, ho, ho

Ho ho ho is the way that many languages write out how Santa Claus laughs. "Ho, ho, ho! Merry Christmas!" It is the textual rendition of a particular type of deep-throated <u>laugh</u> or chuckle, most associated today with Santa Claus and <u>Father Christmas</u>.

The <u>laughter</u> of Santa Claus has long been an important attribute by which the character is identified, but it also does not appear in many non-<u>English</u>-speaking countries. The traditional Christmas poem <u>A Visit</u> <u>from St. Nicholas</u> relates that Santa has:

. . . a little round belly That shook when he laugh'd, like a bowl full of jelly

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