



A vibrant winter illustration featuring a large orange fox in the foreground, wearing a green and white patterned scarf, holding a megaphone. Behind it is a yellow cat with a red collar and a green bell. In the background, there are snow-covered mountains and a string of colorful triangular flags hanging from a tree branch. An owl with large eyes and a striped tail is flying towards the right. A small mouse is visible at the bottom left. The overall style is whimsical and festive.

**WELCOME,  
HOLIDAY  
RACERS!**

## FOX TAPPED THE MEGAPHONE.

"Is this thing on? First one to Mouse's house gets dibs on the holiday buffet. Mouse made cheese soufflé!"  
The crowd cheered.

"We start when the sun touches the top of our heads, at the strike of noon," continued Fox. The crowd fell to a whisper, and the racers approached the starting line. "Ready?" said Fox. "Set..." "Race!" hooted Owl. And the racers were off!

**THE STORY  
BEGINS!**



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## Ready, set, go! Make your holiday gift list!

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### Scavenger Hunt

- Porridge
- Slippers
- Mug
- Biscuit Tin
- Hot Water Bottle
- Vinyl Record

## BEAR'S CHOMPING AT THE BISCUIT!

Bear's Log Toboggan was starting to slow through Flatspin Forest when she got an idea. "I'll come back for you, biscuits!" shouted Bear as she tossed the tin. "Au revoir, slippers!"

Bear cheered as she chucked her slippers. Bear's racer started to gain speed when she felt a tickle on her nose. "See ya!" said Fox as she zipped by Bear, waving her tail.

*Find all of Bear's favorite things she left for safe-keeping.*



## HAS OWL SPOTTED A SHORTCUT?

Meanwhile, Owl peered into her wise-o-scope to see ahead of the course. "Well, look whoo's found a shortcut around Fakie Lake," said Owl. "I better hurry before the other racers are on

my tail feathers." Determining the best altitude for speed, Owl steered her Hoot Air Balloon up, up, and away when an icy wind blew. "Oh, trouble!" exclaimed Owl as she found herself drifting off course.

*Help Owl navigate the maze and get back on track.*



## Word Search

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MITTENS  
SNOWBALL  
ICICLE

MUSHROOM  
COCOA  
RACE

SCARF  
FOREST  
BERRIES

## WIPE OUT! RACCOON NEEDS RESCUING!

In a surprise move, Raccoon in his Lightning Saucer passed Owl as they both headed toward Alley-Oop Alps. "I'm winning!" woo-hooed Raccoon.

Just then, Raccoon glimpsed a bramble of delicious looking berries. He veered right, then left, then right to catch himself a snack, causing his saucer to fishtail into a snowbank! "Owl!" Raccoon called out, "I could use a paw... erm, wing!"

*Help Owl locate Raccoon by solving the word search.*

## Word Jumble

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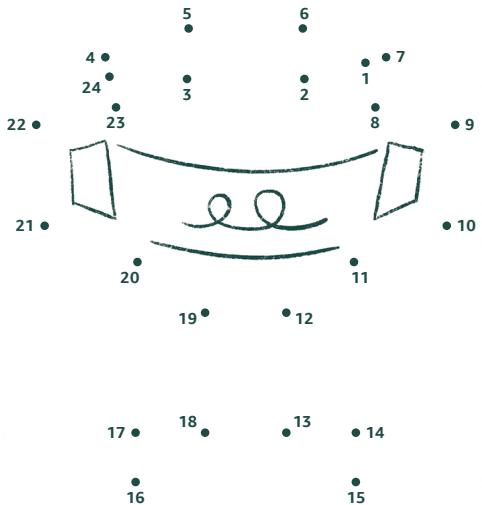
## FOX IS IN THE LEAD... OR IS SHE?

"I'm in the final stretch!" beamed Fox as she zoomed downhill. She could practically taste Mouse's cheese soufflé when she blinked and missed the sign for Ice Ice Cavey.

"Icicles!" cried Fox as she swerved, causing her Speed Sled to spin out. "Stay cool, Fox, you've got this!" Fox shook the snow from her ears, straightened her scarf, and steered her sled back on course.

*Solve the word jumble to help Fox keep her lead.*

## Connect the Dots



## A NEW PLAYER HAS ENTERED THE RACE!

To Fox's astonishment, Mouse breezed past her in his brand-new racer. "Cheese and crackers! Was that Mouse?!" said a bewildered Fox. The Big Cheese took the lead, leaving only a whiff of cheddar in its path.

"I cook every year, and no one ever asks me if I want to race!" As Mouse darted over the horizon, Fox heard the voice of Mouse echo, "I'll save you a slice of victory cake...cake...cake!"

*Connect the dots to reveal what's motivating Mouse to win.*



## AND MOUSE WINS THE RACE TO HIS OWN HOUSE!

After the race, they all celebrated and noshed and talked about how much fun it was. "Pass the cheese soufflé, please!" Mouse put on some classical music, kicked up his tiny feet, and sipped hot cocoa by the fire. "That's our Mouse!" Fox said amused, and they all laughed. **THE END**

*Time to color... and party!*