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Opening extract from
**Toddler Time: Big Book of
Christmas**

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Notes to parents



Toddler Christmas provides the perfect mix of activities, information and stories to bring a little magic in the build-up to Christmas. Designed, illustrated and written by parents of toddlers, this beautifully illustrated collection has interactive questions throughout to engage all toddlers. It is divided into clear sections so you can dip in and out:

Christmas Games are guaranteed to be a favourite. Encourage your toddler to study the pictures and give plenty of praise when he gives you the right answer. Don't feel you have to do the whole section in one go. When you have finished all the games, go back to the beginning as your toddler will love to show off all he's remembered!

Out and About illustrates the magic of winter. This is an ideal opportunity to talk to your toddler about the changing weather throughout the year and to encourage him to notice his surroundings.

Christmas Activities provides suggestions for how to keep your toddler busy at this exciting time of year. You will have lots of fun together but please note all these activities will need adult help.

Learning Fun takes a festive look at the all-important basic concepts of the alphabet, numbers, colours and shapes. This is a great way to increase your toddler's vocabulary, so take your time over this section and return to it often but take a break as soon as your toddler loses interest.

Stories and Songs capture the essence of Christmas. This is your time to snuggle up with your toddler and enjoy the traditional side of the season with the story of *The First Christmas* and *The Nutcracker*. There's also the classic poem, *'Twas The Night Before Christmas* as well as a selection of favourite carols.

Christmas Quiz is a collection of questions with a festive theme, perfectly chosen to build your toddler's confidence. Four separate sections test memory skills with the help of picture clues, so take time over each question. Don't forget to be encouraging at all times and keep it light-hearted and fun.

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Christmas Games



Santa is sent lots of letters each year. Can you read this one?

Dear 
I am sitting by the  looking out at the
 I am very excited about Christmas.
I have been a good  and hope you will bring
me some  in your . Please leave  for
my . I would love a  and a 
for Christmas. My sister would like a 
and a  I will leave a  for 
and a  for you by the . Love, Sam x

Spot the Difference

Can you find 6 missing things?



Answers: hat, middle button, snowflakes in circles, snowflakes in circles, robin, one end of scarf, nose

Search and Find



Can you find these items? ★ elf without a hat ★ fairy doll

★ sleeping elf ★ tiger mask ★ Santa's photo ★ elves' cat