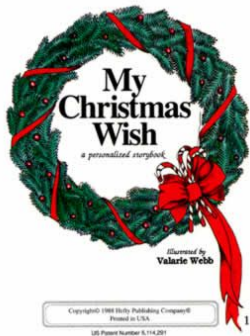
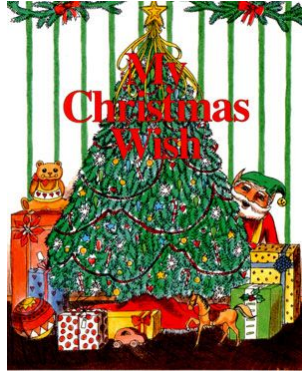


「 My Christmas Wish 」



"My Christmas Wish"



"My Christmas Wish"
was created especially for

Jessica F Raine

at the age of 7

Merry Christmas from
Mommy and Daddy
December 24, 2015



"Oh what a busy, busy time of year. Christmas is coming, and I have so many things to do," said Jessica to Annie, who had come to play. "I have gifts to make and cookies to bake, but that's not all. We'll get a tall tree, hang stockings three, four, or maybe more."



Later, Jessica and Annie were talking about Santa Claus. They could picture Santa's jolly, round face with his big smile that was nearly hidden by his long, white, bushy beard.



"I have a great idea," said Jessica. "Let's get our crayons and pencils and each make a list and call it 'My Christmas Wish' This list will be special. We'll pretend we can go to the North Pole and see how Santa and Mrs. Claus get ready for Christmas."



All of the elves work so hard in Santa's toy shop,
that Mrs. Claus bakes them lots of cookies for snacks.
Some have red icing, some chocolate, and some green.
"Ummm, I really like cookies," said Jessica,
"I wish I could be there to share some with the elves."



Running here, running there...Santa's elves are
very busy. "I wish I could be there to help feed the
reindeer and polish all the brass bells," said Annie.



Jessica thought of another wish.
"I wish Santa could bring Rudolph to Chicago.
It would make the whole town happy."



"I just thought of a bigger wish," said Jessica.

"I wish Santa Claus would come with ALL his reindeer and take me for a ride. Up, up, and away we would fly. I would wear a green suit to match the color of Santa's green sleigh. As I fly by, I might even shake a bell or two myself."



"Well, I have a bigger, bigger, BIGGER wish," cried Annie. "I can't write it down, it is so BIG. I wish all the children in Chicago, could take turns flying around with Santa Claus. I can just see the BIG smiles"



Jessica and Annie were enjoying this pretend game very much. They started wishing they could go to see where Santa and Mrs. Claus lived. They had been told that the walk way to the front door was lined with candy canes !



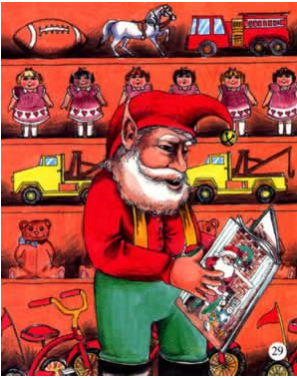
All of a sudden, they found themselves sitting at Santa's table. Santa was reading through his very long list of names of children who had been very good. **Jessica** and **Annie** hoped their names were on the list.



"Welcome to our home **Jessica**. would you and your friend like some cookies, "asked Mrs. Claus. "Santa and I will sing you some Christmas songs. How about Silent Night, or Jingle Bells ? Yes, Jingle Bells," and they began to sing.



The music could be heard in the workshop where the elves were working very hard. One elf was painting some finishing touches on the roof of a doll house. "I wonder if one of the elves made that little doll," said **Jessica**, "I would like to have that as a gift for myself."



Jessica saw an elf pick up a colorful book telling about the real meaning of Christmas. She thought it seemed like a good idea to add the book to her Wish list.



"This has been a very exciting adventure to visit Santa and Mrs. Claus and to see how hard all the elves work to get ready for Christmas," said **Jessica**.



As **Jessica** and **Annie** watched Santa load his sleigh, they realized that it was time to say good-bye. "Before we go," said **Jessica**, "we have just one last wish...."



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*"Peace on Earth and Good Will
to all the Children of the World."*

Christmas

December 24, 2015