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FREE CLASSROOM PACK · CHALLENGE (2-3)

CHRISTMAS EARLY FINISHERS

12 sheets for students who finish early. Answers are at the back.

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Santa's Reindeer Word Scramble

Challenge · Unscramble each word. Every word is from the Santa's Reindeer list.

1. **U P C D I** _____

2. **E N I V X** _____

3. **E A D C N R** _____

4. **S O M S** _____

5. **N R I S E** _____

6. **O O V E H S** _____

7. **T H I K S N Y G** _____

8. **P R C R N A E** _____

9. **M E T O C** _____

10. **H E N A S R S** _____

Christmas Secret Code: Chimney Trip

Challenge · Secret Code

Each code letter stands for a different letter. Look it up in the key and write the real letter under it.

Why does Santa like going down chimneys?

W Z A G L J Z P U

__ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

J E E U J Q P H

__ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

Key: each code letter over the letter it stands for

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
C	K	Y	L	O	R	A	M	X	S	F	U	W
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
P	V	I	H	Z	N	G	T	J	B	D	Q	E

Christmas Word Search

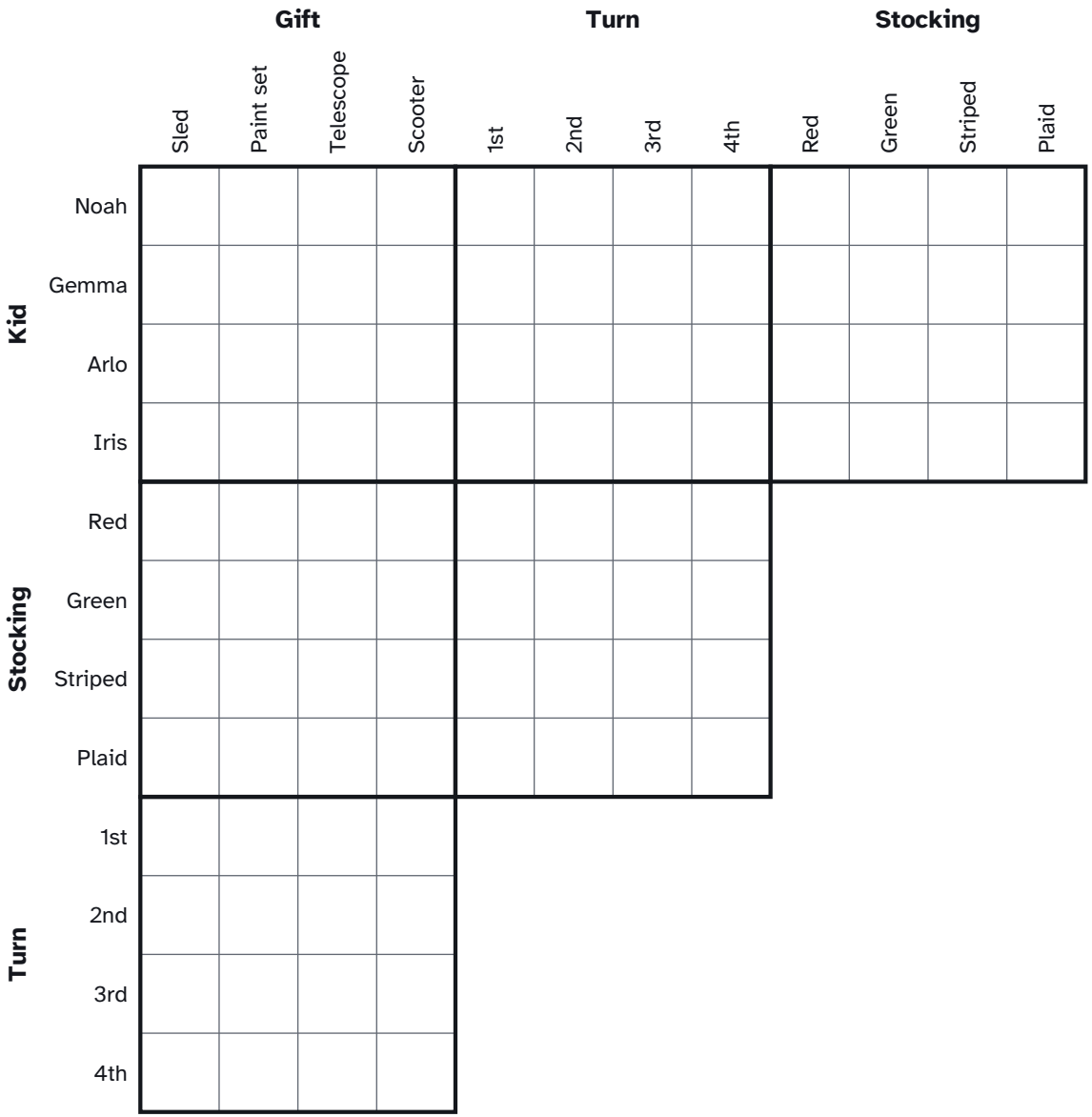
Find every word. Words run forwards, backwards, up, down and diagonally.

U E E L O P H T R O N A Y G B
A N E E R G R E V E T T I N K
E J A N E J S B S N S N S A N
M O O W G N F Y A O G Y C M N
F N T R M U A S L E A T A W T
N L T E S E H C R L S P R O N
U E F A L I L B Y T O E O N E
G S A T D T R V O D F H L S M
O N S H F E S C E N N T S D A
N I S U A D K I I S T A K E N
G T L D M I E F M D P V C L R
G P E V N P R E S E N T S R O
E B I G J I N G L E B E L L S
L V G E T R E I N D E E R D D
V C H I M N E Y U D P P H C R

- ☐ CANDY CANE
- ☐ CAROLS
- ☐ CHIMNEY
- ☐ EGGNOG
- ☐ ELVES
- ☐ EVERGREEN
- ☐ GINGERBREAD
- ☐ HOLLY
- ☐ JINGLE BELLS
- ☐ MISTLETOE
- ☐ NORTH POLE
- ☐ ORNAMENT
- ☐ PRESENTS
- ☐ REINDEER
- ☐ SANTA
- ☐ SLEIGH
- ☐ SNOWMAN
- ☐ STOCKING
- ☐ TINSEL
- ☐ WREATH

Christmas Morning

Challenge logic puzzle · 4×4 grid · 12 clues



On Christmas morning the kids took turns opening one big gift each while everyone watched. Find each kid's gift, turn and stocking.

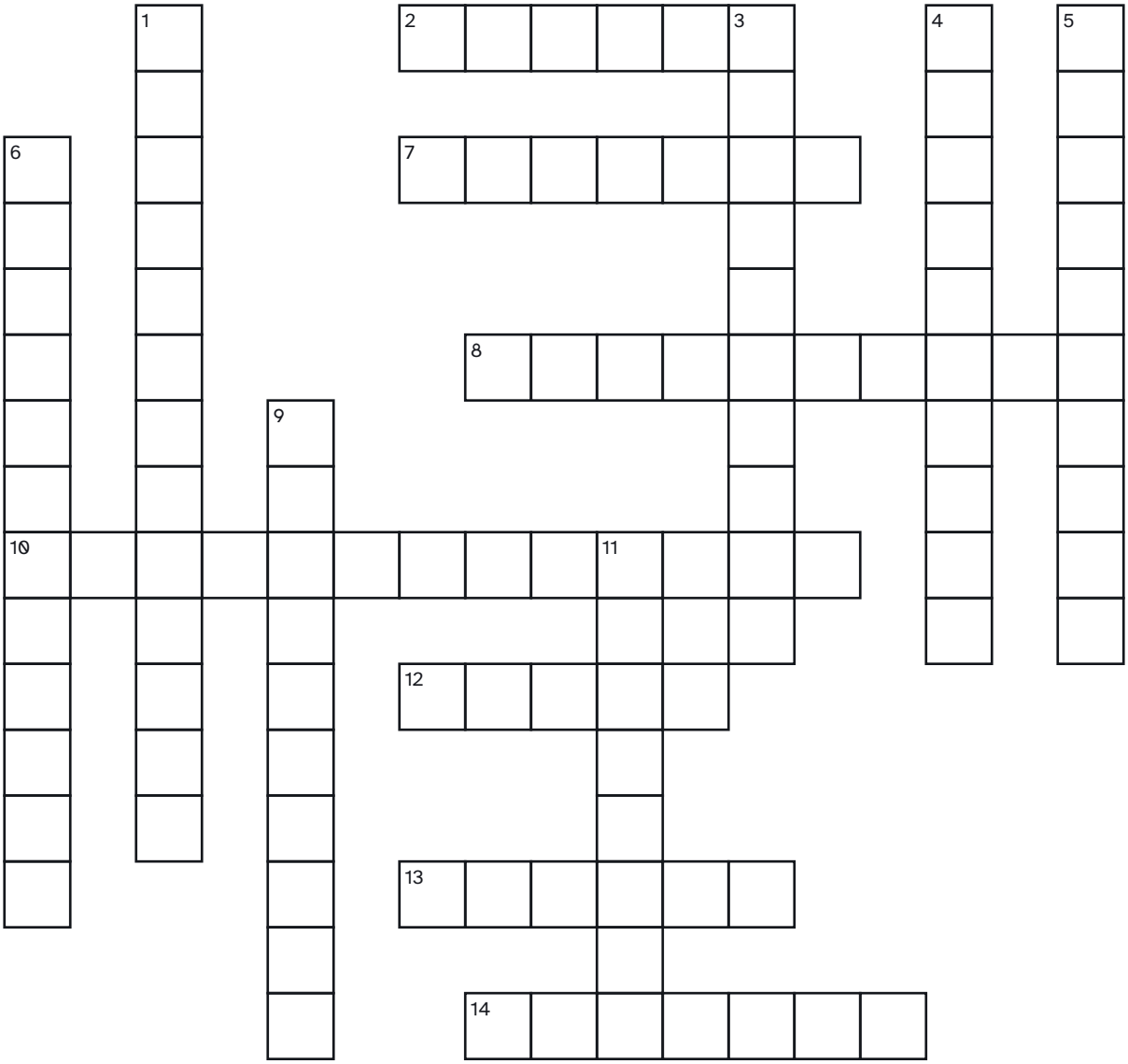
Mark an X where two things cannot go together and a check where they must. Every row and column of a block ends with one check.

Clues

1. Noah did not open a paint set.
2. Gemma did not go first.
3. The kid who opened a scooter hung either the green stocking or the plaid stocking.
4. Noah did not open a scooter.
5. Iris did not open a paint set.
6. The kid who opened a paint set did not hang the red stocking.
7. Either Gemma or Iris hung the plaid stocking.
8. Arlo went right before the kid who opened a sled.
9. Arlo hung the red stocking.
10. The kid who hung the striped stocking did not go fourth.
11. The kid who went first did not open a telescope.
12. The kid who hung the plaid stocking opened either a sled or a paint set.

Christmas Cookies Crossword

Challenge · Read each clue and write the answer in the squares.



Across

2 Soft yellow spread made from cream

7 Flat tool for lifting cookies off a pan

8 Dark, moist sweetener with molasses (2 words)

10 Classic cookie with little bits of cocoa (2 words)

12 Sugary glaze piped onto cookies

13 Warm spice often grated over eggnog

14 Flavor from a bean, used in many treats

Down

1 Soft cookie with a silly name

3 Wooden tool that flattens dough (2 words)

4 Big dish where the dough comes together (2 words)

5 Cool flavor of a candy cane

6 Shape that presses stars out of dough (2 words)

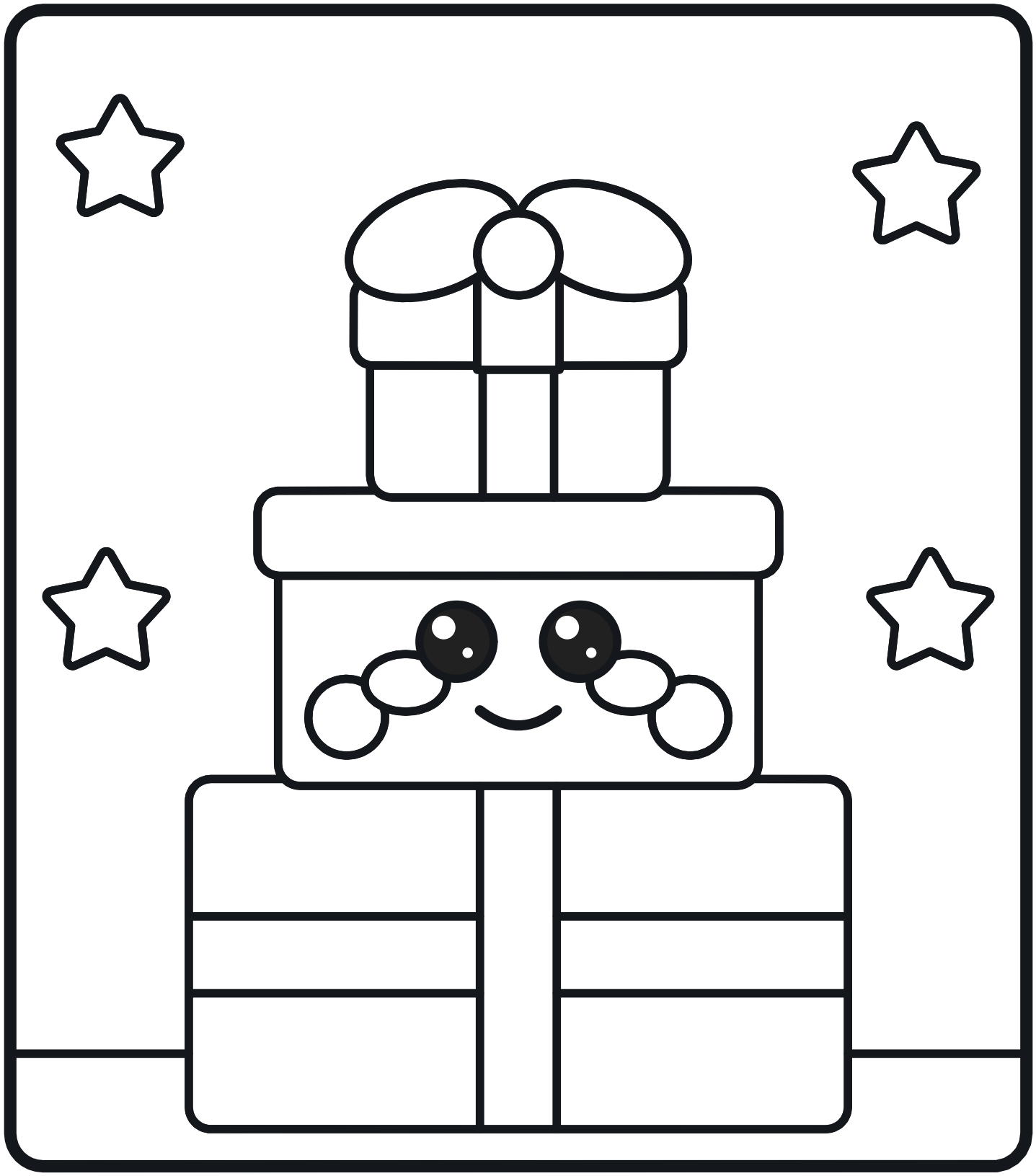
9 Rich, crumbly cookie from Scotland

11 Sweet spice made from tree bark

Present Pile

Name _____

Christmas coloring page · Use any colors you like.



Rosy Reindeer

Name _____

Color by Number · Challenge · Color each space the color of its number.



1 Red	**2** Orange	**3** Yellow	**4** Green
5 Light Blue	**6** Pink	**7** Brown	**8** Black

Christmas Secret Code: Gingerbread Doctor

Challenge · Secret Code

Each code letter stands for a different letter. Look it up in the key and write the real letter under it.

Why did the gingerbread man go to the doctor?

U D F V E

__ __ __ __ __

Z D D X N T I

__ __ __ __ __ __ __

K Q A B B P

__ __ __ __ __ __

Key: each code letter over the letter it stands for

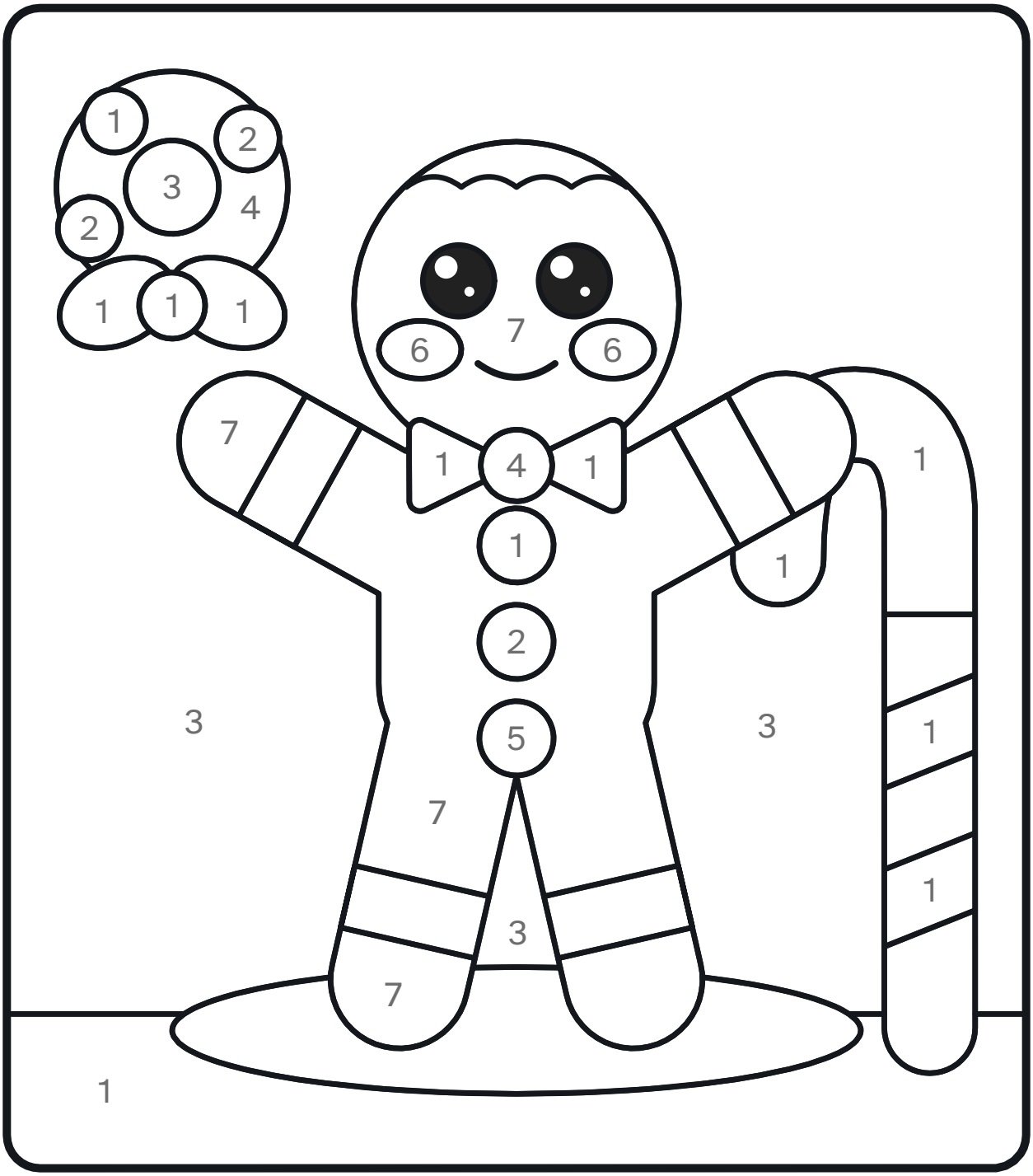
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U	M	Q	E	S	W	Z	B	G	D	C	J	T

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
I	V	Y	R	P	O	N	H	A	K	L	X	F

Gingerbread Kid

Name _____

Color by Number · Challenge · Color each space the color of its number.



1 Red	**2** Yellow	**3** Light Green	**4** Green
5 Blue	**6** Pink	**7** Brown	

Christmas Secret Code: Reindeer Eyes

Challenge · Secret Code

Each code letter stands for a different letter. Look it up in the key and write the real letter under it.

What happens to a reindeer's eyes in winter?

A W O J L O I O C

___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

A X L E S L M V

___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Y M N B A M Z N X O

___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___ ___

Key: each code letter over the letter it stands for

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
T	D	S	K	N	Q	Z	A	Y	I	W	R	O

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
L	E	C	X	P	F	V	J	M	H	U	G	B

Christmas Secret Code: Tree Needles

Challenge · Secret Code

Each code letter stands for a different letter. Look it up in the key and write the real letter under it.

Why was the Christmas tree bad at knitting?

M Y U J K Y

__ __ __ __ __ __

R W I K K M Q T

__ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

M Y O Q J J R A J O

__ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __ __

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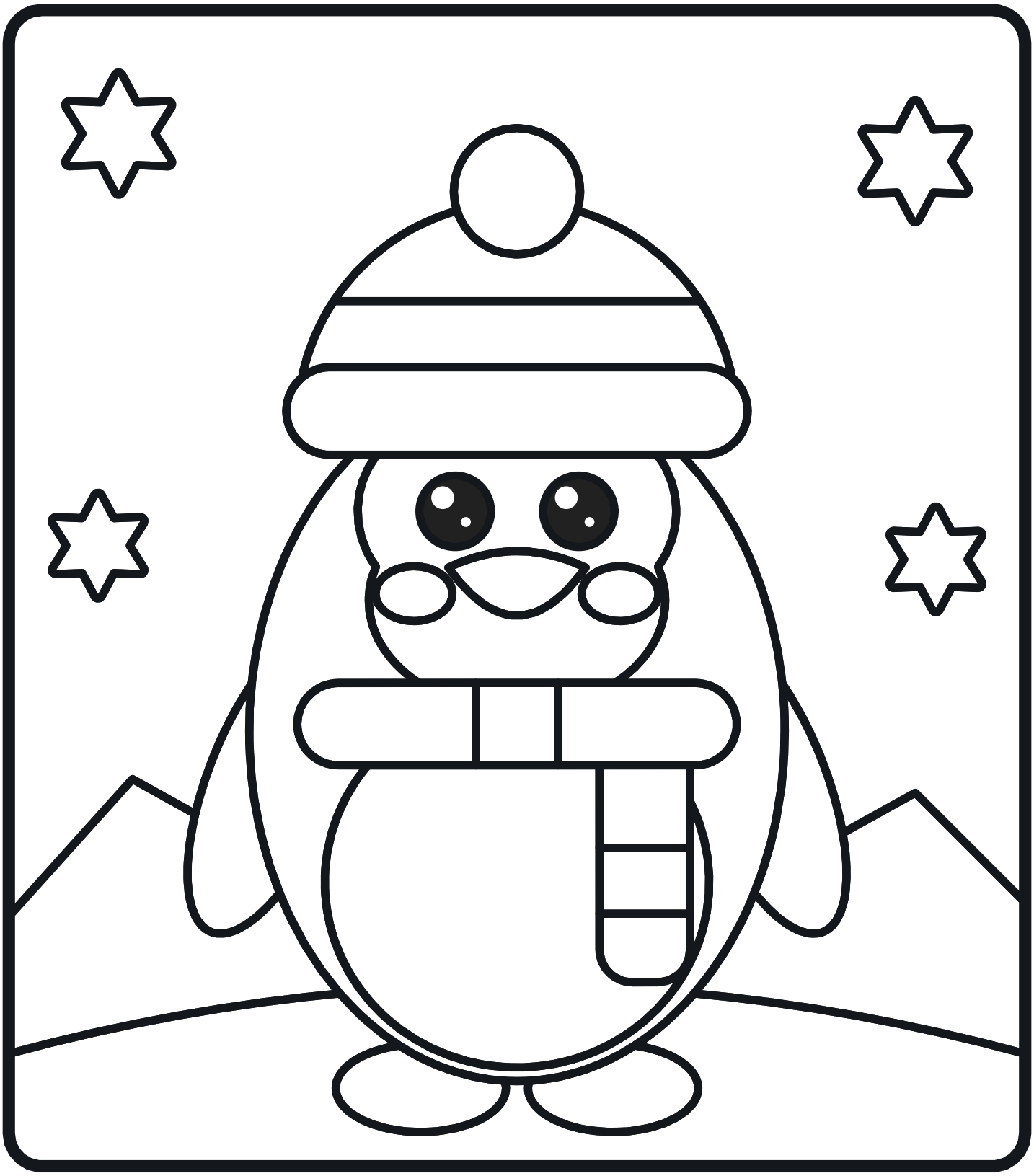
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L	C	Q	H	X	Y	U	Z	O	E	P	V	I

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
M	S	J	N	D	W	G	K	B	R	A	T	F

Cozy Penguin

Name _____

Christmas coloring page · Use any colors you like.



Answers

Santa's Reindeer Word Scramble

1. U P C D I — CUPID
2. E N I V X — VIXEN
3. E A D C N R — DANCER
4. S O M S — MOSS
5. N R I S E — REINS
6. O O V E H S — HOOVES
7. T H I K S N Y G — NIGHT SKY
8. P R C R N A E — PRANCER
9. M E T O C — COMET
10. H E N A S R S — HARNESS

Answers

Christmas Secret Code: Chimney Trip

Why does Santa like going down chimneys?

W	Z	A	G	L	J	Z		P	U
B	E	C	A	U	S	E		I	T

J	E	E	U	J		Q	P	H
S	O	O	T	S		H	I	M

BECAUSE IT SOOTS HIM

Key: each code letter over the letter it stands for

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
C	K	Y	L	O	R	A	M	X	S	F	U	W

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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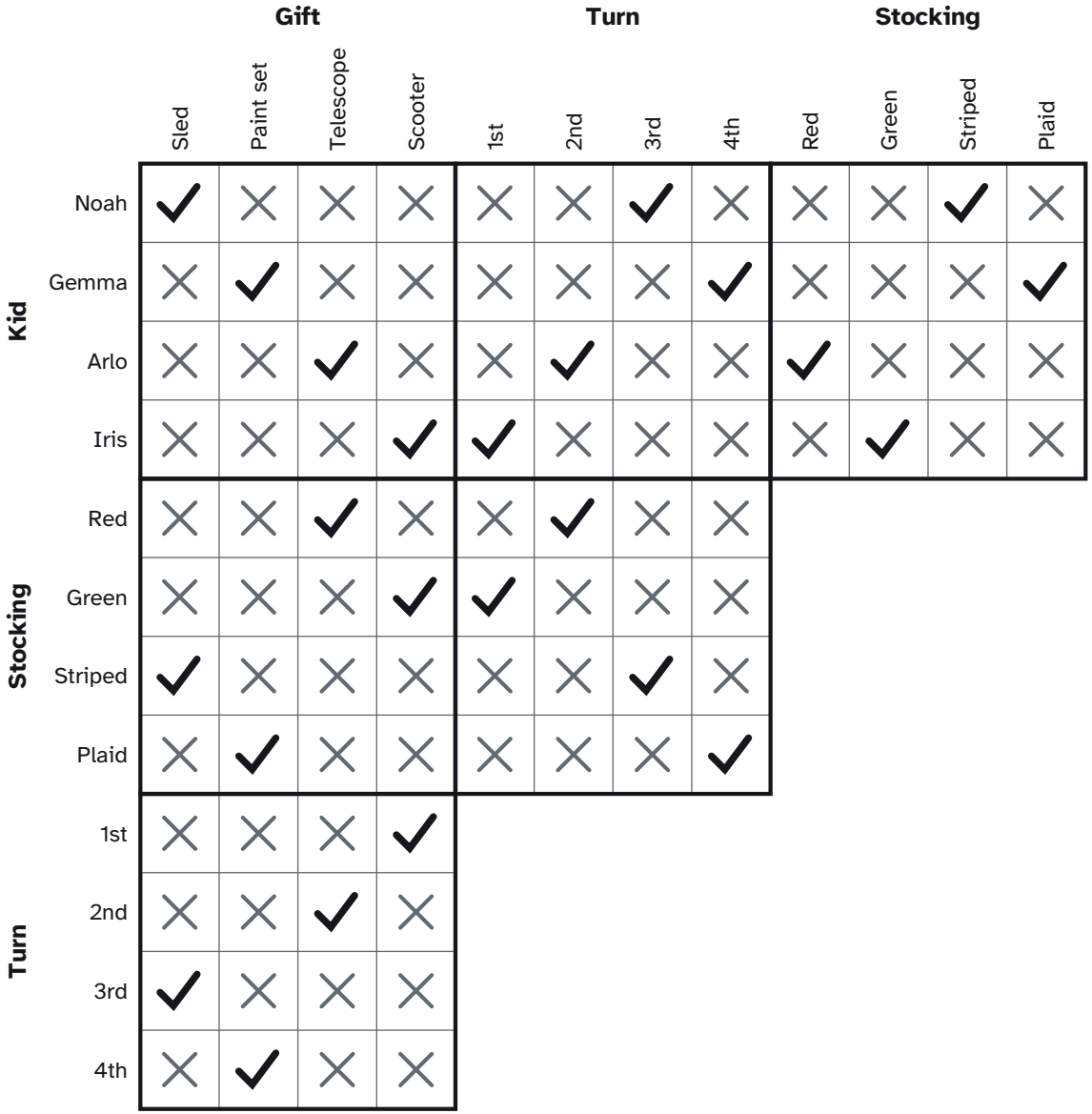
Answer key

Christmas Word Search



Answers

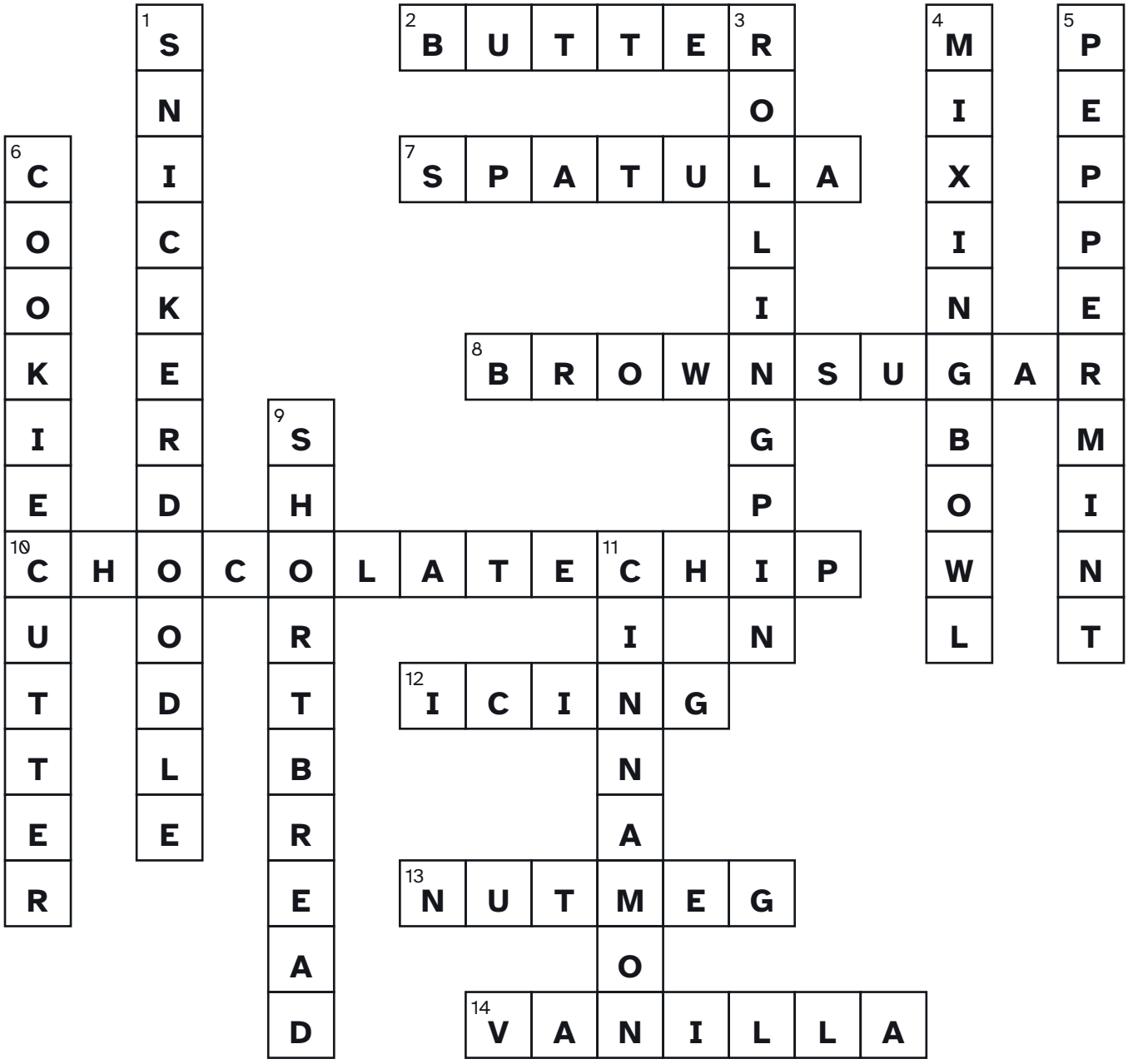
Christmas Morning



Kid	Gift	Turn	Stocking
Noah	Sled	3rd	Striped
Gemma	Paint set	4th	Plaid
Arlo	Telescope	2nd	Red
Iris	Scooter	1st	Green

Answers

Christmas Cookies Crossword



Answer key

Rosy Reindeer · Color by Number · Challenge



1 Red	**2** Orange	**3** Yellow	**4** Green
5 Light Blue	**6** Pink	**7** Brown	**8** Black

Answers

Christmas Secret Code: Gingerbread Doctor

Why did the gingerbread man go to the doctor?

U	D		F	V	E
H	E		W	A	S

Z	D	D	X	N	T	I
F	E	E	L	I	N	G

K	Q	A	B	B	P
C	R	U	M	M	Y

HE WAS FEELING CRUMMY

Key: each code letter over the letter it stands for

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
U	M	Q	E	S	W	Z	B	G	D	C	J	T

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
I	V	Y	R	P	O	N	H	A	K	L	X	F

Answer key

Gingerbread Kid · Color by Number · Challenge



1 Red	**2** Yellow	**3** Light Green	**4** Green
5 Blue	**6** Pink	**7** Brown	

Answers

Christmas Secret Code: Reindeer Eyes

What happens to a reindeer's eyes in winter?

A	W	O	J	L		O	I	O	C
T	H	E	I	R		E	Y	E	S

A	X	L	E		S	L	M	V
T	U	R	N		F	R	O	M

Y	M	N	B		A	M		Z	N	X	O
G	O	L	D		T	O		B	L	U	E

THEIR EYES TURN FROM GOLD TO BLUE

Key: each code letter over the letter it stands for

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
T	D	S	K	N	Q	Z	A	Y	I	W	R	O

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
L	E	C	X	P	F	V	J	M	H	U	G	B

Answers

Christmas Secret Code: Tree Needles

Why was the Christmas tree bad at knitting?

M	Y		U	J	K	Y
I	T		K	E	P	T

R	W	I	K	K	M	Q	T
D	R	O	P	P	I	N	G

M	Y	O		Q	J	J	R	A	J	O
I	T	S		N	E	E	D	L	E	S

IT KEPT DROPPING ITS NEEDLES

Key: each code letter over the letter it stands for

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
L	C	Q	H	X	Y	U	Z	O	E	P	V	I

N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
M	S	J	N	D	W	G	K	B	R	A	T	F