

TALE TOWN'S DETECTIVE AGENCY HEADQUARTERS

Detective, your phone is ringing, answer it . . .

Santa Claus

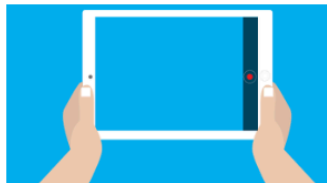


"Hello Detective, I hear you are one of the finest agents in Tale Town. I have a huge problem that not only affects me but everyone else too. My darling Rudolph has run away or been kidnapped. I'm almost certain that he has been kidnapped because Rudolph would never miss afternoon treat time. I love Rudolph and want him to be back safely. Christmas may not be very merry this year without my lead reindeer!"

You request Santa to give you more details about what happened.

"My reindeer and I are staying at the Candy Castle Hotel; I'm in suite 214. Each of my reindeer has their own room; Rudolph was in suite 216. Rudolph seemed happy all morning when we were doing some exercise. I don't think he would've run away. I am not a detective, but by the condition his room was left, something is very strange. I'll e-mail you a photo."

Santa Claus



Santa sends you a photo. You open it to view Rudolph's room. After a few careful observations, you conclude that Rudolph was indeed kidnapped.

You get your detective equipment ready and agree to meet Santa at the Candy Castle Hotel to begin the investigation.



Thank you, Detective! I'm really worried about Rudolph; I hope nothing bad happens to him. Please meet me at the hotel as soon as possible; every second is important."

On the following pages you will be visiting locations and discovering clues. As you complete each page, go over your possible suspects list to see if any information discovered eliminates a character from being Rudolph's kidnapper.



1. VISIT LOCATION: THE CANDY CASTLE (SUITE 216)

Santa Claus



"Thank you for coming here so quickly, Detective. This is Rudolph's room; I'd like to add that it was clean and tidy this morning. It was after lunchtime when I first noticed that Rudolph was missing. I found Rudolph's door left open, with the entry key still inside the keyhole."

Ella the Elf



"Rudolph seemed happy all morning when completing his daily exercise routine. I don't think he would've run away."

Santa Claus



"I don't remember leaving Rudolph any treats this morning, where did all of those green cookie crumbs come from?"

Mrs. Potts



"Knock, knock, would anyone like some afternoon tea? OH, MY!!!! Look at this mess, Santa you said that your reindeer were going to keep their rooms tidy during your visit this year! There are green cookie crumbs everywhere; a lamp knocked off the table and what does this broken piece belong to?"

Ella the Elf



"It looks like it is a part of an animal trap!"

CLUE 1

Fill in the missing letters to complete the answers in the comprehension questions below. Then match the letters with the numbers into the empty boxes to reveal a clue! The first one is done for you. Use the reading text above to answer the questions below. Highlight where you find the answers in the text above as evidence.

- What did Santa find when he first noticed that Rudolph was missing? He f₁o₂u₃n₄d₅
R₆o₇d₈o₉l₁₀h₁₁'s o₁₂o₁₃r₁₄ left o₁₅e₁₆n₁₇e₁₈, w₁₉i₂₀t₂₁h₂₂ the e₂₃n₂₄t₂₅r₂₆y₂₇ o₂₈l₂₉k₃₀e₃₁ still i₃₂n₃₃s₃₄i₃₅d₃₆e₃₇ the k₃₈e₃₉y₄₀h₄₁o₄₂l₄₃e₄₄.
- What was Rudolph doing that morning with Ella the Elf? H₁₅e₁₆i₁₇s₁₈ a₁₉i₂₀n₂₁y₂₂ e₂₃x₂₄e₂₅c₂₆i₂₇s₂₈e₂₉
u₃₀n₃₁d₃₂e₃₃r₃₄i₃₅n₃₆g₃₇.
- What was knocked off a table? A l₂₄a₂₅m_{26.}
- What is found all over the floor? G₂₆r₂₇e₂₈e₂₉ c₃₀o₃₁k₃₂e₃₃ c₃₄r₃₅u₃₆m₃₇b₃₈s₃₉.
- What does the broken piece found by Mrs. Potts belong to? An a₃₁n₃₂i₃₃m₃₄a₃₅l₃₆ t₃₇r₃₈a₃₉p₄₀.



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19	29	4	27	17	25	14							

Go to your suspect list and use the clue discovered on this page to cross off who is no longer a suspect.

2. VISIT LOCATION: CANDY CASTLE STAFF ROOM

You go to the hotel staff area to interview some of the workers.



Lumière
"Oh a new guest, welcome! Come, let me find you a room. My name is Lumière, and I'm the concierge of the Candy Castle Hotel."

You introduce yourself and request any information about suite 216.




Lumière
"I went to collect the dirty dishes and trays on that floor around 1:00 p.m. If I remember correctly, suite 216 had the 'Do not disturb' sign on the front of the door, so I skipped that room."

"I remember picking up Rudolph's meal to deliver it; it was roasted carrots and pickled hay, however, it was missing the sauce, so I went back to the kitchen to get it. When I returned with the sauce, the dish had disappeared, I assumed one of the other staff members delivered it, but I can't say who."



Chip-cup
"Those green cookie crumbs that you are holding are probably from a treat sold at the Pat-A-Cake Bakery on Muffin Lane."

You notice that the key for room 216 is missing off the guest room wall. 

CLUE 2 - Below is a set of clue riddles or definitions to words written in the reading section above. The blank lines represent missing letters in the word. As you fill in a letter on each blank line, match that letter with the number underneath into the empty boxes to reveal a clue! The first one is already done.
→ **Highlight the word answers in the text above as evidence.**

A place where bread, cakes and biscuits are sold. b a k e _ y
 1 2

The color of the biscuit crumbs found. g _ e _ n
 3 4

An orange vegetable. _ _ r r o t
 5 6

Something served with food to add moistness and flavour. _ a u c _
 7 8

The past tense for something no longer visible. _ i s a _ _ e a r
 9 10 11

A verb to carry with one's arms or hands. h o _ d _ n g
 12 13

A room where food is prepared and cooked. k _ _ c _ e _
 14 15 16 17

A verb for bringing something to someone. d _ l i _ _ r
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3. VISIT LOCATION: PAT-A-CAKE BAKERY

You enter the Pat-A-Cake Bakery. It is full of customers. Mike the Muffin Man and Granny Smith are working as fast as they can to serve everyone. While waiting to speak with the Mike and Granny, you take a look around the shop.

You observe the following:

- Green iced Christmas Tree Cookies for sale.



Granny Smith



"That's because someone bought most of them. Sorry Detective, I cannot identify the person who bought all of those cookies because my eyesight is a bit fuzzy, but I do remember that he or she was wearing a black cloak."

"I hope you don't need too many of those green tree cookies; I've almost sold out today. I have no more flour in the kitchen, so I won't be doing any more baking until tomorrow."

Mike the Muffin Man



"As you can see, Detective, we are very busy with customers at the moment, so we can't discuss the case with you. We have a surveillance camera in the corner over to your left; you are welcome to view the recordings in the kitchen room. You might be able to discover a clue about the cloaked mystery character. It sounds like they might be the kidnapper you are looking for."

Granny Smith



"If it helps, the person with the large order for green iced Christmas tree cookies came into the shop early this morning sometime between 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m."

CLUE 3: Fill in the missing letters to complete the CAUSE and EFFECT statements below. Then match the letters with the numbers into the empty boxes to reveal a clue!

Use the reading text above to answer the questions below. Highlight where you find the answers in the text above as evidence.

CAUSE: There is n₁ m₂re f₃our in the kitchen.

EFFECT: So Mike won't be doing any more bak₄ng today.

CAUSE: Someone bought ₅ost of the green ₆ree c₇okies.

EFFECT: The ba₈ery is almost ₉o₁₀d out of the gr₁₁en tree ₁₂ookies.

CAUSE: Granny's eye₁₃ig₁₄t is a bit f₁₅z₁₆y.

EFFECT: So she can't i₁₇entify the ₁₈erson who b₁₉ught lots of green tree cookies.

CAUSE: There's a su₂₀vei₂₁lance c₂₂mer₂₃ in the ₂₄ho₂₅.

EFFECT: The character who bought ₂₆ots of green cookie₂₇ is ₂₈ecor₂₉ed on camera.

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4. VISIT LOCATION: THE TRAPS, TRASH & TREASURE SHOP

As you and Santa step inside the Traps, Trash and Treasure Shop, Rumpelstiltskin points to the broken trap piece that you are holding.

Rumpelstiltskin



"Why hello Detective, I think I already know why you are here. But before you say anything, I must assure you that yes I sold that trap to somebody, so it wasn't I who used it for whatever case you are investigating."

"Rumple you must tell us who bought that trap, we have to find and rescue Rudolph before anything bad happens."

Santa Claus



Rumpelstiltskin



"Sorry Santa, as sad as I am to hear about Rudolph, I made a promise to my customer that I wouldn't say who they were if asked about the trap. Unless maybe we can make some sort of deal Santa?"

"This is important Rumpelstiltskin, please do not start playing your funny games. Help us!"

"Well I did make a promise that I wouldn't say who, but that doesn't mean I can't give you a clue. If you leave me a present under the tree, a clue, you shall soon see."

Santa Claus



"Fine Rumpel, we have a deal. Now no funny tricks!"

CLUE 4: Fill in the missing letters to complete the answers in the comprehension questions below. Then match the letters with the numbers into the empty boxes to reveal a clue!

Use the reading text above to answer the questions below. Highlight where you find the answers in the text above as evidence.

- How did Rumpelstiltskin know you were visiting about the trap? **Because you were**
h_ lding a broke_ t_ ap piece when entering the s_ op.
 1 2 3 4
- What does Santa demand from Rumpelstiltskin? **To tel_ who bo_ ght the tr_ p.**
 5 6 7
- Why won't Rumpelstiltskin tell you who bought that trap? **_ ecause he _ rom_ sed the**
_ us_ om_ r that he _ ouldn't _ a_ who boug_ t the trap.
 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17
- What does Rumpelstiltskin ask in return for a clue? **A pre_ ent left unde_ the _ r_ .**
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8	19	1	14	2	22	16	21	18				

5. VISIT LOCATION: SWEETLING STREET ALLEYWAY

You walk with Santa along Sweetling Street. Santa is sad and worried about his dear Rudolph. As you both continue to travel towards the hotel, you notice three mice singing in the alleyway.

Bobby



"These cookie crumbs are yummy; the best I've eaten all year!"

Blabby



"What special ingredient is in that sweet green icing?"

Blinky



"It's sugar Blabby, lots of sugar!"

Santa Claus



"RUDOLPH! Where are you my precious Rudolph?"

Bobby



"Oh look, the two most popular people in Tale Town at the moment, there's Santa and that fabulous detective!"

Blabby



"Quick! Hide the crumbs! You know how much Santa loves cookies."

Blinky



"Well, what do we have here?"

"Nothing to see here, nope nothing at all."

Santa Claus



"You forgot about the long trail of crumbs behind you three. . . A TRAIL!"

CLUE 5 - Below is a set of clue synonyms to words written in the reading section above. The blank lines represent missing letters in the synonym word answer. As you fill in a letter on each blank line, match that letter with the number underneath into the empty boxes to reveal a clue! The first one is already done. All word answers are somewhere in the reading section on this page. → *Highlight the word answers in the text above as evidence.*

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