

FLYERS – READING - SANTA CLAUS IS IN TROUBLE

PART 1 - Read the text and answer the questions 1-6 choosing a-c

Santa Claus is always very busy in December. He has a lot of things to do. But he cannot do everything alone. He has many helpers who open and read many letters. They make long lists of good children's names and the toys they want. His elves make toys for the children and wrap them up. The presents are put on his sleigh and the reindeer take it to children all over the world.

1. Santa Claus works a lot in
 - a. November
 - b. January
 - c. December
2. He does his work _____.
 - a. Alone
 - b. With his helpers
 - c. With children
3. His helpers _____ and _____ many letters
 - a. Opens and reads
 - b. Write and read
 - c. Open and read
4. The elves make _____.
 - a. Books
 - b. Toys
 - c. Food
5. Santa has a _____.
 - a. Car
 - b. Reindeer
 - c. Sleigh
6. The presents are for _____.
 - a. The world
 - b. The helpers
 - c. The children

PART 2

This year Santa Claus is really happy with all his helpers, but he looks unhappy when he thinks of the elf Alabaster Snowball (Al for short) Al doesn't help with the letters, and he doesn't help with the toys, he will not help with the sleigh, or the reindeer.

"Why don't you help me? Santa Claus asks "Are you lazy?"

"I'm sorry but I can't" Al says to Santa. "I am programming a new computer game."

Santa Claus doesn't know what to do and he looks very sad. He shakes his head and goes to help the other elves.

Answer the questions

1. Who makes the toys for the children?

2. Who doesn't help Santa?

3. How does Santa look?

4. What is Al doing?

PART 3

On Christmas Eve Santa Claus is ready to go round the world on his sleigh. The sleigh is full of parcels for all the children in the world. Suddenly one of the helpers comes and says “ Santa Claus! We forgot the computer games! We need computer games for four hundred and twenty-seven children.”

“Ho ho OH NO!!” Santa Claus says, “there’s no time now. It’s too late to make them. What can we do?” He looks at his helpers and he is very, very unhappy.

“I know what you can do,” Al says. “You can give them my new computer game. I can make lots and lots of copies.”

Father Christmas Senior looks at his Elf helper and smiles. “What a great idea! I’m very proud of you, Alabaster.”

Two weeks later Santa Claus gets four hundred and twenty-seven thank-you letters.

Answer the questions true or false

1. On Christmas morning Santa Claus takes presents to children. _____
2. He goes by plane. _____
3. 327 children want computer games. _____
4. Santa Claus makes the computer games. _____
5. Al has got many computer games. _____
6. Al wants to give his computer game to all the children _____
7. Santa Claus gets thank you letters _____



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ANSWERS

Part 1

- 1C
- 2B
- 3C
- 4B
- 5C
- 6C

Part 2

- 1 The Elves
- 2. Alabaster Snowball
- 3. He looks unhappy
- 4. He is programming a new computer game.

PART 3

- 1 false
- 2 False
- 3. False
- 4. False
- 5. False
- 6. True
- 7. True