

A Sticker Dolly Story Christmas Mystery



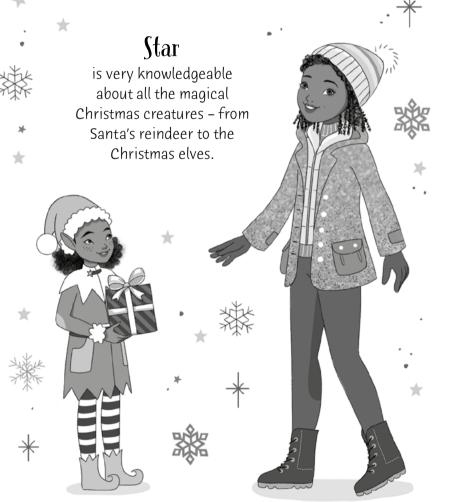
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Meet the Christmas Dolls

Robin, Star and Clara are the 'Christmas Dolls'. They help to decorate Dolly Town each Christmas, organize Christmas events and are there for Santa whenever he needs help.





loves nature. His favourite thing about Christmas is decorating Dolly Town with wreaths and boughs of holly.



is brilliant at organizing.
If there's a party in Dolly
Town, then Clara is always
the one to organize it –
especially at Christmas.



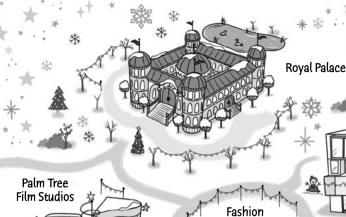




Dolly Town

The Christmas Dolls live in Dolly Town, which is home to all the Dolls. The Dolls work in teams to help those in trouble and are the very best at what they do, whether that's fashion design, ice skating or puppy training. Each day brings with it an exciting new adventure...





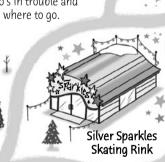






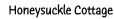
Heartbeat Dance Academy

















Chapter One

Snowfall

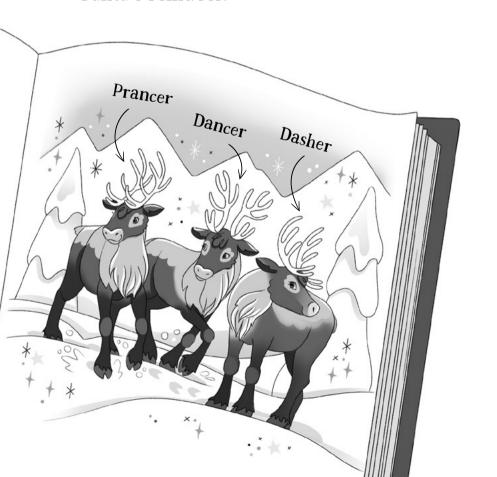


I t was Christmas Eve, and the Christmas Dolls, Clara and Star, were in the Cupcake Café, in their favourite spot next to the fire.

Star was deep in her book,

Magical Creatures of Lapland,
while Clara was checking over her
Christmas planning list.

"Oh, just look at Santa's reindeer," said Star, holding up the illustration for Clara to see. "If I had a Christmas wish, it would be to ride on one of Santa's reindeer."



Clara smiled. "My wish would be for everything to go perfectly at Madame Coco's Christmas party tonight."

"I'm sure that wish will come true!" said Star. "You've put so much work into the party."

"Thank you," said Clara. "I really hope so." She glanced down at her watch. "I wonder where Robin could be? I'm sure we said we'd meet here at eleven."

"I expect he's checking on the bird feeders," said Star. "After that hard frost last night, he probably wants to make sure the birds have got enough food to last them through the day."

Even as she spoke, the café door burst open and in came Robin, a

huge smile on his face.



"Sorry I'm late!" he said.

"I was topping up the bird feeders with nuts and seeds.

Have you seen outside? It's just started snowing."

The Christmas Dolls rushed to the window, their faces full of wonder as they watched the gentle drifts of snow falling from the sky.

"Oh! How magical!" said Clara, clapping her hands as the fat flakes began to settle on the tops of the houses.





"We'll be able to build snowmen. And have a white Christmas!"

"Just think," added Robin, "right now Santa's elves will be hard at work, finishing off the last of the Christmas toys..."



"...and tonight," finished Star,
"Santa and his reindeer will be
racing across the sky."

Robin grinned back at her.

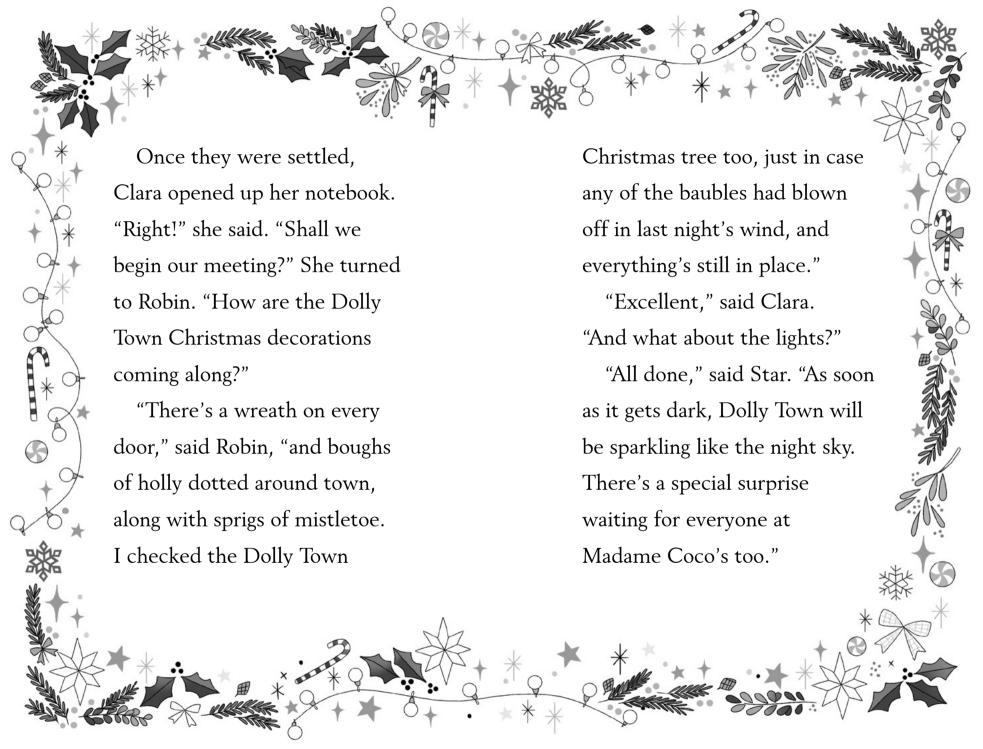
"I'm definitely starting to feel
Christmassy!" he said.



"This should help keep up your Christmas spirits," said Maya, the Cupcake Café owner, coming over to their table. She was holding a tray, brimming with festive food. There were three hot chocolates, swirling with marshmallows and frothy cream, and a delicious array of buns and pastries.

"I've brought some of our Christmas treats for you to try," Maya went on. "We've got cinnamon swirls, iced cranberry muffins and our homemade mince pies." "Yum," said Clara, breathing in the scent of freshly baked buns.





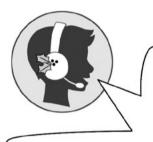
"So now we just have the
Christmas party to look forward to,"
said Clara. "I've helped Madame
Coco organize the food and the
music and we've sent out all the
invitations. Everyone in Dolly
Town will be there. I can't wait!"

Just then, the Christmas Dolls'

watches began to flash. Quickly, Clara pressed the flashing symbol on her screen.

"Are you there, Christmas Dolls?" said Mission Control.

"We're all here, Mission Control," Clara replied. "What's happened?"



There's a Christmas EMERGENCY

in Lapland. Someone has broken into Santa's Workshop and ALL the presents have been stolen! The elves have been working so hard to get everything ready, and now the presents have all gone.

"But that's terrible," said Robin.

"Who would do such a thing?"

"The elves don't know who it could be," Mission Control continued. "But it's Christmas Eve – they'll never be able to make new presents in time for Christmas Day. They must find the presents before sunset, or Christmas will be ruined. Will you help?"

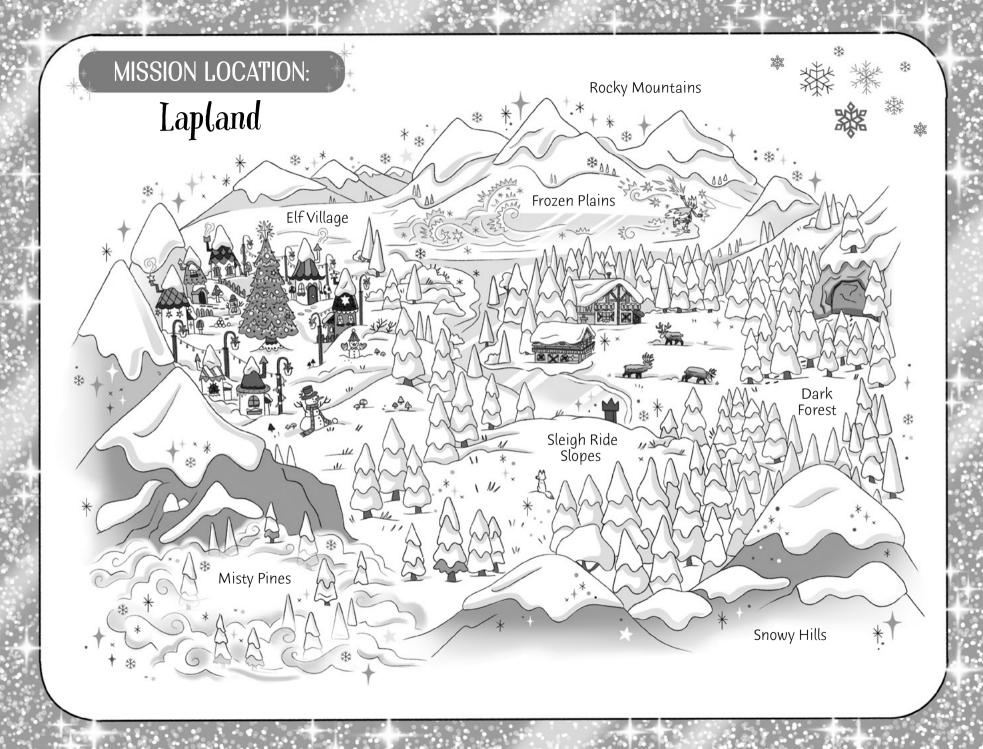
"Of course," said Star. "We'll do everything we can."

"Thank you, Christmas Dolls,"

said Mission Control. "Sending through the mission details now."

Clara picked up her sparkly-cased screen, just as the mission details flashed up.





MISSION INFORMATION:

Search for the Missing Christmas Presents

Top secret mission details:

Find the missing Christmas presents before sunset.

First head to Santa's Christmas Workshop in Lapland.

The elves will meet you there and tell you more about what happened.

Good luck, Christmas Dolls!

SANTA'S ELVES













"Mission received," said Star.

"And please keep this mission secret," said Mission Control. "We don't want people to panic."

"Don't worry. We're on the case," said Robin. "It's Mission Go!"





The Christmas Dolls gathered their coats and bags, then hurried out onto the streets. Already, a thin layer of snow lay over Dolly Town, like a sprinkling of sugar.

