

2.4 Kultur und Landeskunde

1. A Wish for Christmas

a) Listen to the story. (AFB I/II)

Only two more days till Christmas. Laura can't wait. She is so excited.

"Mummy, Mummy, I want Santa Claus to come and bring lots of presents. Mummy I want to have a pet. I want a little dog. I want a sweet little dog."

"Oh Laura, I can't help you," her mummy says.

"You should tell Santa Claus. Write a letter and put it up the chimney."

So Laura writes a letter. *Dear Santa,*

Please, come soon. Please, bring me a sweet pet.

I love dogs. I would love a little dog.

Your friend Laura

Laura puts the letter into the fireplace and it goes up the chimney.

Mummy says: "Now the wind will take your letter to Santa."

"I hope Santa will get my letter," Laura says.

On Christmas Eve Laura hangs up her empty Christmas stocking on the mantelpiece before she goes to bed. That night she can't sleep. She is so excited.

In the morning she runs down to the living room.

She shouts: "It's the 25th of December, it's Christmas Day. Santa was here."

She looks around. There is the Christmas tree with lots of presents under it.

Laura looks at her stocking hanging on the mantelpiece. She can see that it is full and heavy. She looks inside. There are lots of sweets, some nuts and an orange.

Laura looks into the fireplace and up the chimney. There is no Santa Claus and there is no little dog. Laura is very sad.

She sits on the floor and cries. Suddenly she hears a soft "woof".

Laura looks around, and behind the curtain she finds another stocking with a sweet little sleepy dog in it. On its head the dog is wearing a Christmas hat.

She picks the dog up in her arms and sings the song "I love Santa".

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b) Now listen to the story again. Have a look at the pictures. Put them into the right order.
Number the pictures. (AFB II)



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c) You will listen to the story again. What is different? Answer in German. The words on the blackboard will help you. (AFB II)

| Weihnachten in | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Großbritannien | Deutschland |
| Geschenke gibt es am | Geschenke gibt es am |
| Santa Claus kommt | Weihnachtsmann klopft |
| Santa Claus hat ein | Der Weihnachtsmann hat kein |
| Die Geschenke sind im | Die Geschenke sind unter |

d) At the end of the story Laura sings the song “I love Santa Claus”.

Let's sing this song together. Here are the words. (AFB I)

I love Santa

(Tune: Bruder Jakob)

I love Santa, I love Santa,
Very much, very much.

Thank you for the puppy,
Thank you for the puppy.

Good old man,
Good old man.

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2. Let's talk about Christmas. Answer my questions. (AFB II)

Do you have a Christmas party at home?

What do you want for Christmas?

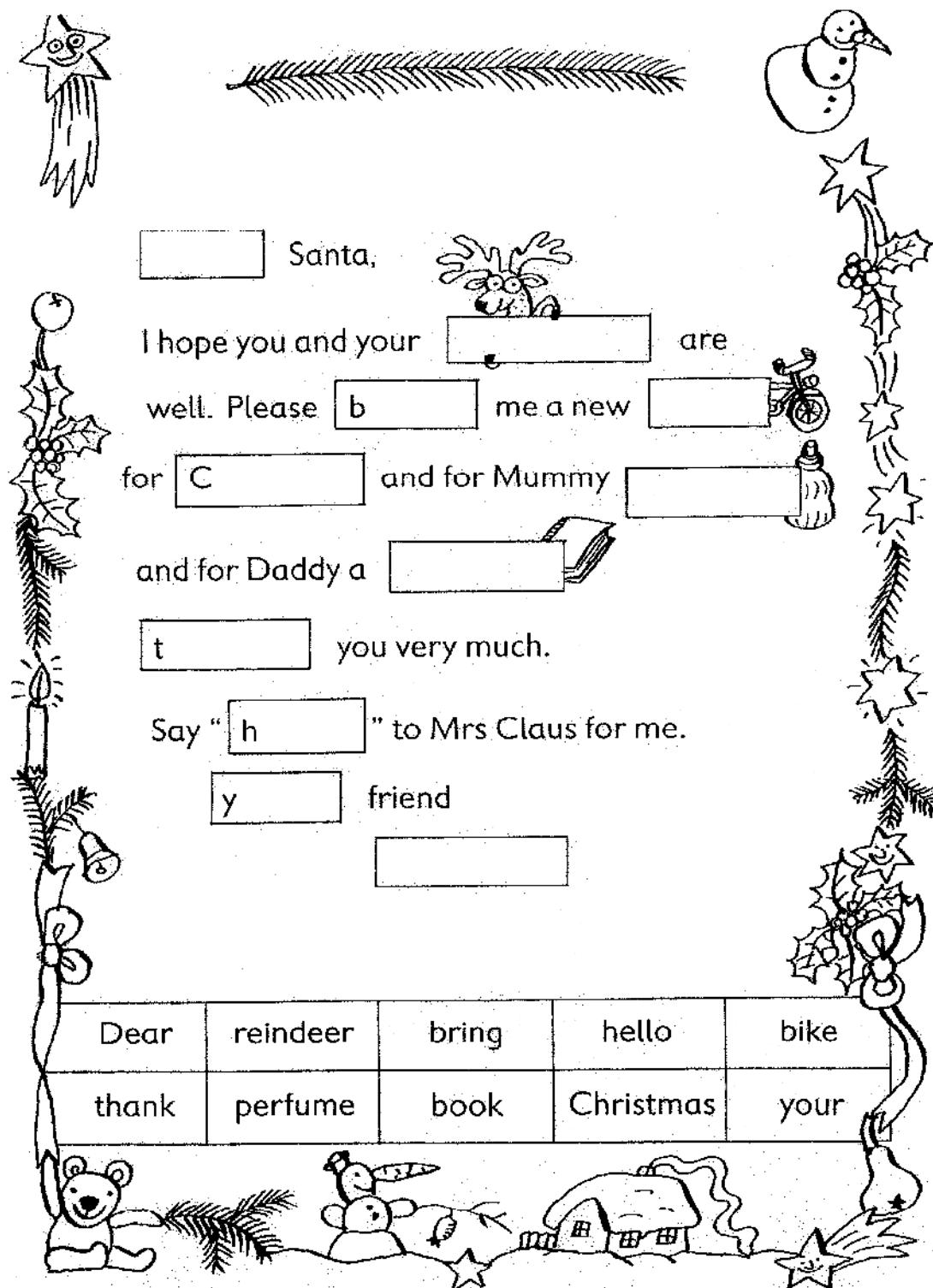
Do you write a letter to Santa Claus?

What do you eat at Christmas?

3. Now find a partner and ask questions about Christmas. The partner answers the questions. Then you change roles. (AFB III)

5. Look at this letter. There are some words missing. You find these words under the letter.

Fill in the missing words. (AFB I/II)



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