

Questions

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	True	False
St. Nicholas never stopped talking.		
St. Nicholas' clothes were clean.		
The sleigh was almost empty.		
He laughed when he saw St. Nicholas.		
St. Nicholas was smoking a pipe.		

For those statements which are false, write the correct statement below:

9. Why does St. Nick lay a finger on the side of his nose?

10. How does St. Nicholas tell the reindeer it is time to move on?

Answers

1. How do we know that everything in the house was still and quiet?

The poem says that not a creature was stirring which means nobody was moving.

2. What are the children doing in the poem?

In the poem, the children are asleep and dreaming.

3. Who is the narrator of the poem and how do you know?

The narrator is the father because it tells us that the children are snug in their beds, mamma (mother) is in her 'kerchief and he is in his cap ready for bed.

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Accept any three of the following: cheeks like roses, nose like a cherry, belly like a bowl full of jelly, smoke around his head like a wreath, droll little mouth drawn up like a bow, the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.

7. How does the narrator know not to be frightened?

St. Nicholas turns his head and winks at him.

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For those statements which are false, write the correct statement below:

St. Nicholas didn't say a word.

St. Nicholas' clothes were dirty/tarnished.

The sleigh was full of toys.

9. Why does St. Nick lay a finger on the side of his nose?

St. Nick lays a finger on the side of his nose to tell the person watching that it's a secret and not to tell anyone.

10. How does St. Nicholas tell the reindeer it is time to move on?

St. Nick tells the reindeer it's time to move on by whistling at them.