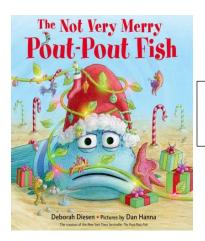
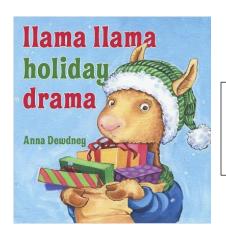
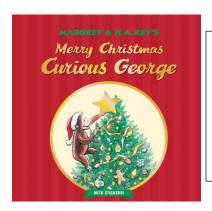
## <u>Laflin Library's Children's Holiday Stories!</u>



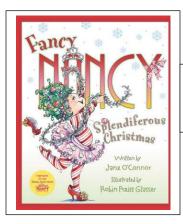
"Mr. Fish is having a hard time finding the right presents for his friends, until he learns that gifts come from the heart."



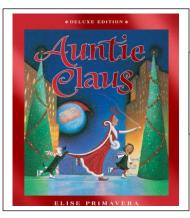
Llama Llama becomes overwhelmed as Christmas preparations progress, Until his Mother reminds him of the real gift the holiday brings.



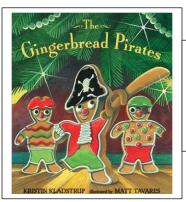
Separated from the man in the yellow hat while at a Christmas tree farm, Curious George ends up at a hospital where he delights the children patients with his own brand of tree trimming.



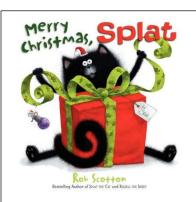
Nancy is devastated, which is even worse than heart-broken, when her fancy Christmas tree topper breaks, threatening to rein Christmas.



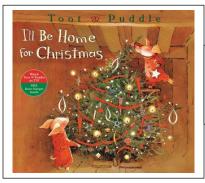
When her eccentric Auntie Claus leaves for her annual business trip, Sophie stows away in her luggage, travels with her to the North Pole, and discovers that her Aunt is really Santa's sister and helper.



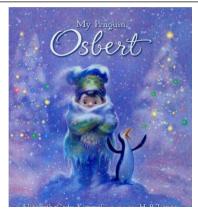
What if a brave Captain Cookie stood up to Santa? A fresh, funny story that sparkles with all the excitement of a pirate adventure -- and all the magic of Christmas morning. (Ages 4-10)



It's the night before Christmas, and Splat wonders if this year he's going to get the really big present he wants. Has Splat been good enough or will Christmas wind up ruined?



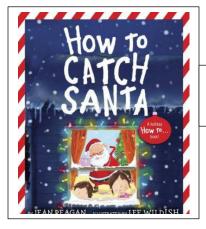
Delayed by a snowstorm, Toot gets unexpected help getting back to Woodcock Pocket in time to celebrate Christmas with Puddle.



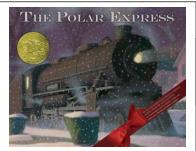
This year, I was very specific in my letter to Santa Claus.

Each year at Christmas, Joe writes a letter to Santa. But they've had a few misunderstandings in the past. Last year, for example, Joe wanted a fire-engine-red racecar with retracting headlights, and he did get one — but it was only three inches long. So this year Joe is really, really careful. He describes exactly what he wants — and on Christmas morning, guess what's waiting for

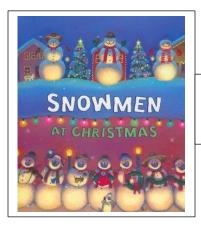
him under the tree! Santa has brought him a living, breathing, black-and-white penguin named Osbert. Will anything in Joe's life ever be the same?



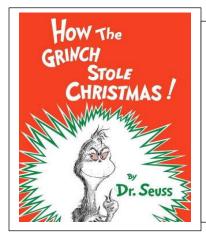
A child provides instructions for properly capturing Santa - briefly- to ask him questions and tell him things



A magical train ride on Christmas Eve takes a boy to the North Pole to receive a special gift from Santa Claus

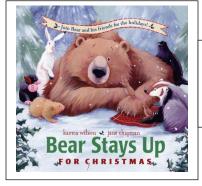


On Christmas Eve, snowmen hold a party in the center of town and celebrate with food, music and dancing, and presents.



Every Who down in Who-ville liked Christmas a lot . . . but the Grinch, who lived just north of Who-ville, did NOT!

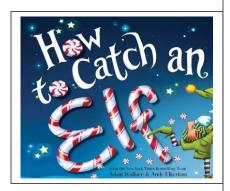
Not since "'Twas the night before Christmas" has the beginning of a Christmas tale been so instantly recognizable. This heartwarming story about the effects of the Christmas spirit will grow even the coldest and smallest of hearts. Like mistletoe, candy canes, and caroling, the Grinch is a mainstay of the holidays, and his story is the perfect gift for readers young and old.



Bear's friends awaken him the day before Christmas and help him to stay awake as they bake fruitcakes, fill stockings, and sing carols; then, while they sleep, he prepares his own surprise.



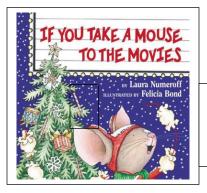
"Pig simply cannot wait for his presents-he's asked for a lot! — so he stays up all night. When Pig discovers that Santa didn't quite bring everything Pig asked for, he takes the jolly old elf to task. A wild sleigh ride ends with Pig decorating a tree in an unexpected way. Trevor-everyone's favorite underdog-makes his usual appearance as the perfect foil for Pig's over the top behavior. Pig's exhaustive, hilarious "I WANT" list is featured in the endpapers. There's a lot to love and laugh at in this new Christmas read-aloud.



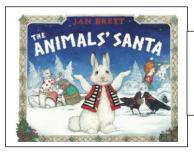
You've been waiting all year long, and now it's finally Christmas Eve! Is this the year you'll finally catch an elf? Start a new Christmas tradition with this hilarious children's book from the creators of the *New York Times* best-seller *How to Catch a Leprechaun*!

"It's Christmas Eve! Hip hip, hooray! Yes, Santa's coming 'round. He's bringing toys to girls and boys in every house in town."

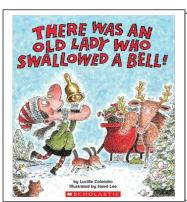
"Some kids have tried to catch him, but Santa's fast, you see! So they've set their eyes on a smaller prize, and now they're after me!"



Taking a mouse to the movies can lead to letting him do other things, such as making a snowman, listening to Christmas carols, and decorating the Christmas tree.

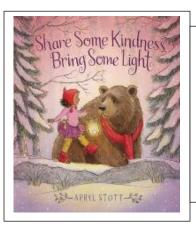


A rabbit named Little Snow is celebrating his first Christmas, and after all the forest animals tell him about the animals' Santa, he is excited to wake up on Christmas morning to find his own surprise.



This time, the hungry old lady swallows a bell, bows, gifts, a sack, a sleigh, and some reindeer! She's about to swallow a candy cane for dessert, when she hears a jolly "Ho! Ho!" Santa Claus is waiting for a ride! Watch what happens when she whistles, with amazing results!

With rhyming text and funny illustrations, this lively version of a classic song will appeal to young readers with every turn of the page--a fun story for Christmastime!

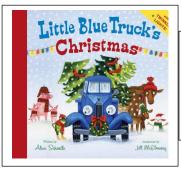


Bear is sad. All the other animals think he's mean because he's so big. But his human friend, Coco, offers to help him. Coco shares her grandmother's advice:

"When life get dark as winter's night,

Share some kindness, bring some light."

They decide to bake cookies to "share some kindness" and make lanterns to "bring some light." But when the cookies and lanterns don't work, they must look for another way to win over the other animals. And while they're at it, Coco and Bear just might discover that kindness is a gift that only comes from the heart.



It's the most wonderful time of the year! Little Blue Truck is spreading cheer by delivering Christmas trees to his animal friends. Can you help count each green tree from one to five and back again? Don't forget to save one for Blue! *Beep! Beep!* 



Dottie Sue can sense that something special is happening on Christmas Eve night. Join her on an adventure to discover the magical wonders of Christmas



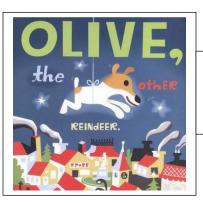
It's snowing and the barnyard is filled with excitement at the thought of a sleigh ride with Mr. Horse. Cat and dog and pig and duck are all set, but Mr. Horse wants to ride in the sleigh, too! Get ready for a seasonal ride that every toddler will want to enjoy again and again!



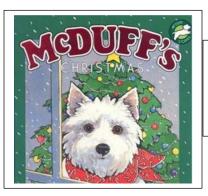
Mom's been in the kitchen for days, there's a massive tree inside the house, and the children have nailed their socks to the wall. Whatever will happen next...? Delight as Puppy discovers the excitement and joy of Christmas.



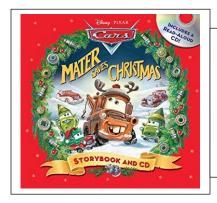
"...Now the little mouse is celebrating Christmas – with a generous spirit that will warm the hearts of families everywhere."



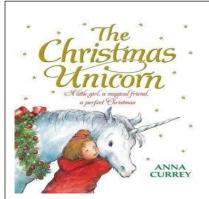
Thinking that "all of the other reindeer" she hears people singing about include her, Olive the dog reports to the North Pole to help Santa Claus on Christmas Eve.



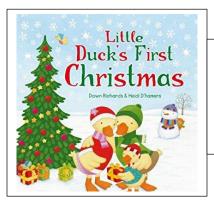
On Christmas Eve, McDuff's persistent "woofing" begins to annoy Fred and Lucy, but it leads to the rescue of Santa, whose sleigh has gotten stuck in the snow.



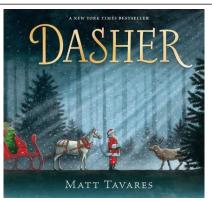
It's Christmastime and there's a fuel bandit on the loose in Radiator Springs! Not only does this mean that the cars will soon run out of gasoline, but it also makes it impossible for the town's mail trucks to deliver everyone's letters to Santa Car. So Mater and Lightning McQueen head to the North Pole while the rest of the town investigates the missing fuel. But when the two friends finally reach Santa Car, they find out that Christmas may have to be cancelled this year...unless Mater and Lightning can save the day!



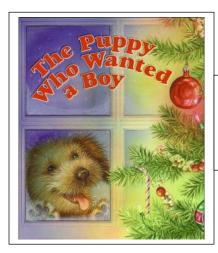
Christmas is just days away, Milly and her mom are staying at Grandpa's house when something wonderful happens...Milly meets a Florian, a unicorn. He patters into Grandpa's house and transforms Milly's Christmas, filling it with friendship, surprise, and sparkle. And, somehow, Florian makes all of Milly's wishes come true.



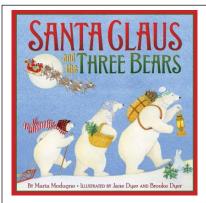
It's little duck's first Christmas and she is desperate for the Christmas bear to visit with his sack of presents. But the Christmas bear only comes when you've been good, and little duck isn't sure she has been. Can she think of a good deed to do in time for Christmas?



Dasher is an adventurous young reindeer with a wish in her heart. She spends her days with her family under the hot sun in a traveling circus, but she longs for a different life — one where there is snow beneath her hooves and the North Star above her head. One day, when the opportunity arises, Dasher seizes her destiny and takes off in pursuit of the life she wants to live. It's not long before she meets a nice man in a red suit with a horse-drawn sleigh — a man named Santa. And soon, with the help of a powerful Christmas wish, nothing will be the same.



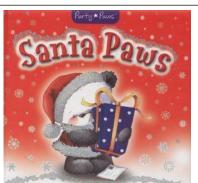
Petey the puppy has one wish for Christmas: to have a boy of his very own. But boys are in short supply this year, and he can't seem to find one who is just right!



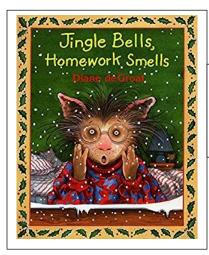
When Papa, Mama and Baby Bear return from a walk on Christmas Eve, they're surprised to find their pudding eaten and their charts sat in and broken. And who's that asleep in Baby Bear's bed?



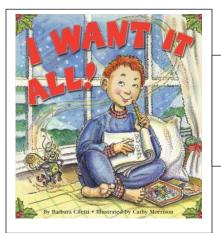
It's Christmas Eve! The bears have sung carols, baked cakes, sent cards and given each other presents. The tree is decorated, stockings are hung and almost everyone is asleep.



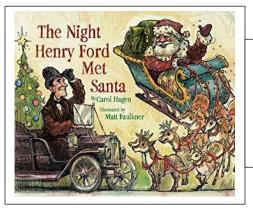
Join in the festive fun with Bamboo and his friends, as they get ready for Christmas day. A heart-warming and magical tale to treasure together.



Gilbert forgets to do his homework over the weekend because he is busy playing in the snow and getting ready for Christmas, but then he comes up with a solution at the last minute



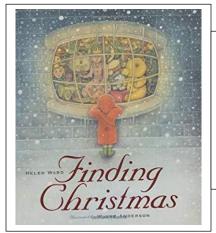
When you're a little kid waiting for Christmas, it's easy to get caught up in wanting lots of gifts. Benjamin Getts discovers that "wanting it all" for himself can result in a visit by the Moresy Bug. Luckily, Gramps is on hand to offer wise counsel.



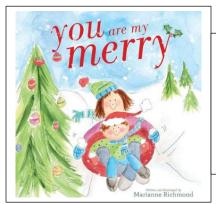
Set just before Christmas in 1908, this charming tale finds Henry Ford puzzling over a way to make his Model T affordable for the average family. His little son Edsel suggests that Daddy write to Santa for advice. Since Santa makes toys for millions of children, Edsel points out, he must know a better way.



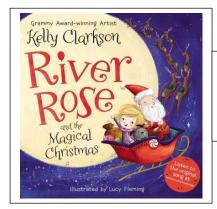
A heartwarming and hilarious Christmas story about a little boy who is determined not to leave "anything" off his Christmas list. He's so determined in fact, that he carries his list with him wherever he goes--for an entire year.



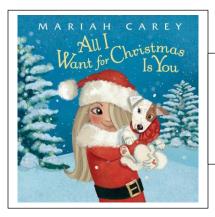
In this luminous picture book, a young girl wanders through the snow on Christmas Eve, looking for a gift for a very special someone (her baby brother, we later learn). She happens upon a glowing toy shop, but before she can select a present, a mysterious old gentleman--Santa himself--scoops up everything in the store. All seems to be lost until Santa sends the perfect gift spinning from his sleigh, helping the girl find Christmas after all.



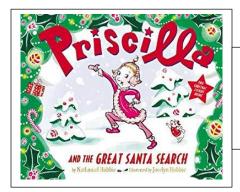
A heartfelt gift that beautifully showcases the holiday magic in the emotions we all feel as parents. Perfect for sharing a cozy moment with a special child, this book reminds us of the priceless gift of spending Christmastime with the ones you love. "Showcases the holiday magic in the emotions we all feel as parents, sharing a cozy moment with a special child. Reminds us of the priceless gift of spending Christmastime with the ones you love.



On Christmas Eve, River Rose accidentally falls asleep while trying to wait up for Santa, a but she awakens to take a magical trip to the North Pole with her dog, Joplin.



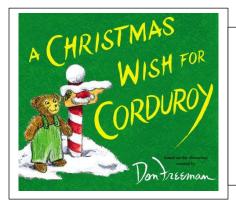
"Miriah Carey's All I Want for Christmas I You, one of the bestselling and most beloved songs of all time, brings Christmas joy to countless listeners of all ages every year. Now its classic lyrics will bring that same holiday spirit to readers of all ages in this one-of-a-kind picture book about a young girl whose greatest Christmas wish is for a new puppy!



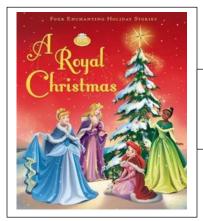
When Priscilla and her best friend, Bettina, eagerly join the other holiday shoppers to see Santa at the mall, they soon realize they're looking at not one, but several fake Santas! The girls are inspired to head to the North Pole in search of the real Santa.



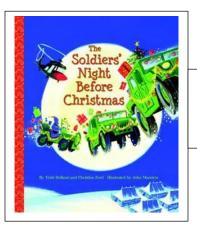
A snowstorm prevents King Roland from returning home in time for the holidays. Sofia bravely leads her family on an expedition to find him, and she shows Amber that spending the holiday with loved ones is better than any present. This beautifully illustrated story is perfect for holidays and includes word for word narration as well as a special appearance by Princess Aurora!



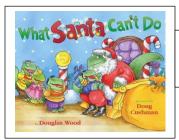
It's almost Christmas and Corduroy sits on a department store shelf, wishing he could be a child's holiday gift—but he's a plain bear, and nobody seems to notice him. He sets out across the store to ask Santa Claus for help, but he can't visit without wearing a special outfit! After stopping to try on hats, boots, and even baby clothes, Corduroy finally arrives at the North Pole. Can Santa help Corduroy find a new home in time for Christmas?



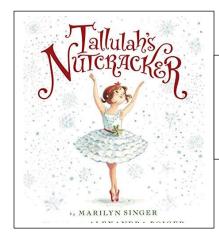
Now little girls can celebrate the holidays with the Disney Princesses in four brand-new stories! These four Christmas-themed stories star Ariel, Aurora, Cinderella, Tiana, and their family and friends as they deck their castle halls.



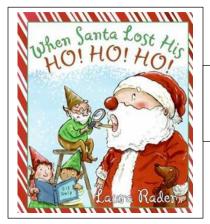
Inspired by the famous Christmas Poem, "The Night Before Christmas", this picture book about Christmas in the Army is perfect for children of military families and anyone with loved ones serving overseas.



Although Santa Claus is nearly perfect, he cannot resist a plate of cookies, remember Mrs. Claus's grocery list, or even shave.



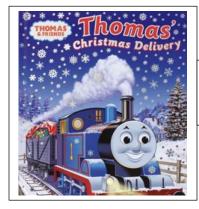
It's Christmastime and Tallulah gets a part in a professional production of THE NUTCRACKER. Though she's only a mouse, she works VERY hard. On the night of the show, everything is MAGICAL...but then disaster strikes! Does Tallulah have what it takes to become a REAL DANCER?



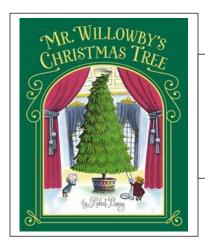
As word spreads around the world that Santa has lost his famous laugh just before Christmas, Mrs. Claus, the elves, and the reindeer all try to help but it is a drawing from a little girl that does the trick.



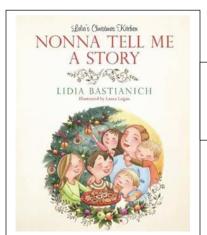
George and Mary Bailey's eight-year-old son Tommy gets some help from an angel-intraining named Arthur. Based on the movie "It's a Wonderful Life".



On a snowy Christmas Eve, Thomas hopes he can finish his important deliveries and still have time to hang up his stocking.



Mr. Willowby's Christmas tree came by special delivery. Full and fresh and glistening green – the biggest tree he had ever seen. Mr. Willowby asks his butler to chop off the top of the tree. What happens to the tree top? Where will it be for Christmas? Snuggle up with this story and follow along through a forest full of friendly creatures who get to share Mr. Willowby's Christmas joy.



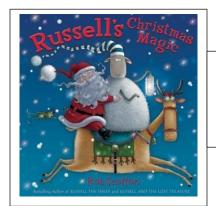
Italian-American chef Lidia Bastianich shares her memories of the Christmases she spent in Italy, where she learned to cook with her Nonna Rosa, and provides holiday recipes and decorating ideas.



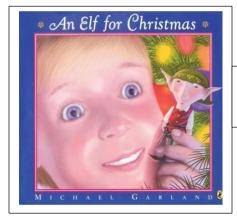
An illustrated retelling of the classic Hannukah song, with directions for playing the dreidel game and a recipe for making latkes.



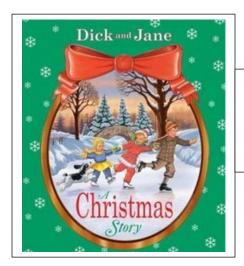
From the experts at America's Test Kitchen comes a new twist on a holiday tradition. Every Christmas, millions of children leave cookies out for Santa Claus. What they may not know is that many many years ago, Santa's grandma made cookies for Santa, and now every year Santa now makes cookies for Mrs. Claus, the elves and his reindeer. So, when we leave cookies for him, we're honoring Santa's family tradition But when Santa's family cookbook goes missing, Santa is unable to make cookies for his family. He is very sad and even considers skipping Christmas. Luckily for Santa (and for kids all around the world), a little girl finds the cookbook, and with the help of America's Test Kitchen, inspires families from all over the world to help Santa and his family have a happy holiday.



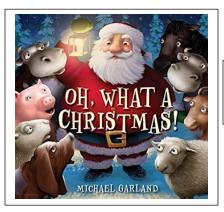
When Santa and his broken sleigh are stranded in Firefly Wood, Santa is sure that Christmas will have to be canceled. That is, until Russell the sheep comes to the rescue! With a clatter and a bang, Russell shows that hard work and a little imagination can make a magic that is all his own.



After falling asleep and being delivered along with a toy airplane on Christmas morning, a hard working elf tries to make his way back to the North Pole.



Join the lovable Dick, Jane, Sally, Spot, and Puff as they enjoy the Christmas season. Skate on an ice-covered lake. Build a snowman, and throw around some snowballs too! Warm-up in front of the cozy fireplace. Bake cookies for neighborhood friends, and celebrate the holiday together!



After Santa loses his reindeer midflight on Christmas Eve, he improvises by seeking the help of some barnyard animals to complete his trip.