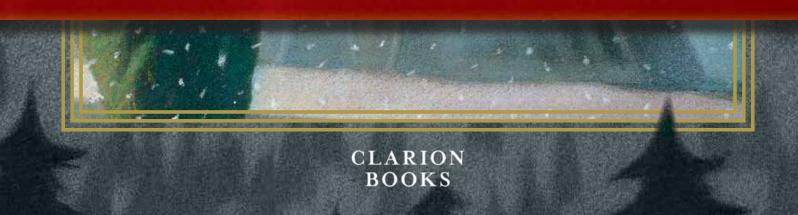


CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY SEASON WITH

THE POLAR EXPRESS



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Dear Event Host,

Take a ride aboard the Polar Express in this award-winning, classic holiday story!

A young boy, lying awake one Christmas Eve, is welcomed aboard a magical train to the North Pole. The Polar Express makes its way to the city atop the world, where the boy will make his Christmas wish. This is a story for all who believe in the spirit of Christmas and those who treasure the sound of a reindeer's silver bell.

Hosting a story time event featuring *The Polar Express* is a perfect way to celebrate with extended family and friends.

Tips:

- Brighten your space with holiday decorations like paper snowflakes, twinkle lights, and wreaths.
- Provide simple snacks for kids to enjoy. Remember to ask your guests if they have any food allergies.
- Engage your guests by asking them about their own holiday traditions and encouraging them to ask questions about *The Polar Express* after reading the story.

ALL ABOARD

for a great event!

Looking for more ways to make your event memorable?

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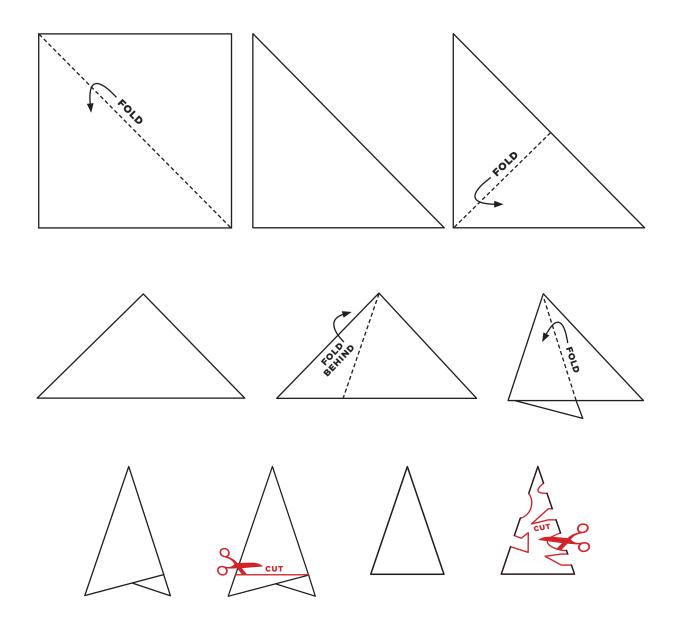
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The First Gift of Christmas

If Santa chose you to receive the first gift of Christmas, what would you ask for? Draw a picture or write about what you would choose below.

Snowflake Cutouts

Create your own decorations at home with these fun cutouts!



Cut a design into the folded paper. Experiment with cutting different shapes in different sizes. Unfold the paper and see your unique creation. Display snowflakes in your window, or string them together into a banner. Remember, no two snowflakes are alike, so make as many as you can!

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Polar Express Maze

Help the Polar Express find its way through the towns and forests, over the mountains and hills, and across the Great Polar Ice Cap to the North Pole!



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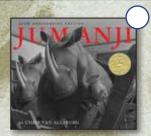
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DISCOVER THE ASTONISHING WORLD OF CHRIS VAN ALLSBURG

THE POLAR EXPRESS

The Polar Express. A magical train ride on Christmas Eve takes a boy to the North Pole.

WHICH BOOKS HAVE YOU READ? CHECK THEM OFF BELOW!



Jumanji. Siblings find a board game that must be won or it will go on forever!



The Garden of Abdul Gasazi. A dog runs away into a magician's forbidden garden and falls under a spell.



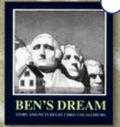
The Mysteries of Harris Burdick. 14 drawings are arranged in puzzles for the reader to solve.



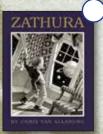
The Chronicles of Harris
Burdick. 14 authors spin tales
inspired by the puzzling
drawings of the fictional artist.



The Stranger. The enigmatic origins of the stranger seem to have an odd relation to the weather.



Ben's Dream. On a rainy day, Ben dreams of his house floating by monuments around the world.



Zathura. Two brothers find more excitement than they bargained for in a mystical space–adventure board game.



Just a Dream. A dream about devastating pollution inspires caring for the environment.



The Wreck of the Zephyr. Wanting to be the greatest sailor in the world, a boy harnesses his new ability to sail through the air.



Probuditi! Calvin practices hypnosis on his sister... with unexpected results.



The Wretched Stone.
A glowing stone has a transforming effect on sailors.



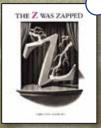
The Misadventures of Sweetie Pie. A hamster escapes its cage to seek a new home in the wild.



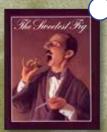
Bad Day at Riverbend. Nothing ever happens in a simple town, until a stagecoach arrives.



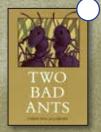
Queen of the Falls. The story of the first person to survive a trip over Niagara Falls.



The Z Was Zapped.
All the letters of the alphabet suffer accidents.



The Sweetest Fig. Will magical figs make dreams come true, or are there other plans?



Two Bad Ants. Two ants leave safety to venture into a dangerladen kitchen.



The Widow's Broom. A worn-out witch's broom finds a second life.

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