

## Sights and Sounds of the Holiday Season Activity Samples

Sample of the Little Fir Tree.

The sample of what the students made 2006/2007 is on the next page.

The order of what to put on tree, when telling story.

### The Littlest Christmas tree

Props: Christmas tree (6 pieces of green construction paper on floor to form tree: 3 for base, 2 in the middle, and 1 for the top)

Tears made Icicles, and a Star

Snowflakes----- Pinecones

Chipmunk

Once there was a small evergreen tree that wanted to be a Christmas tree. **(PUT UP TREE)**

People came into the forest and cut all the big trees down all around the little tree. They took them home for Christmas trees. Now the littlest tree was very sad and lonely. He cried big tears which formed into icicles since it was so-o-o cold. **(PLACE ICICLES ON THE TREE)** It was very close to Christmas, and it started to snow. **(PLACE SNOWFLAKES ON THE TREE)**

On Christmas Eve, there was a chipmunk that was hungry and looking for food. He saw two pinecones. **(PLACE PINECONES AT THE BASE OF THE TREE)** While the little chipmunk was eating the seeds out of the pinecones he looked up and saw a beautiful star rise above the little tree. **(PLACE THE STAR ABOVE THE TREE)**

The chipmunk looked again at the tree and decided that it was the prettiest Christmas tree ever. This made the little pine tree very happy and they both had a wonderful Christmas!

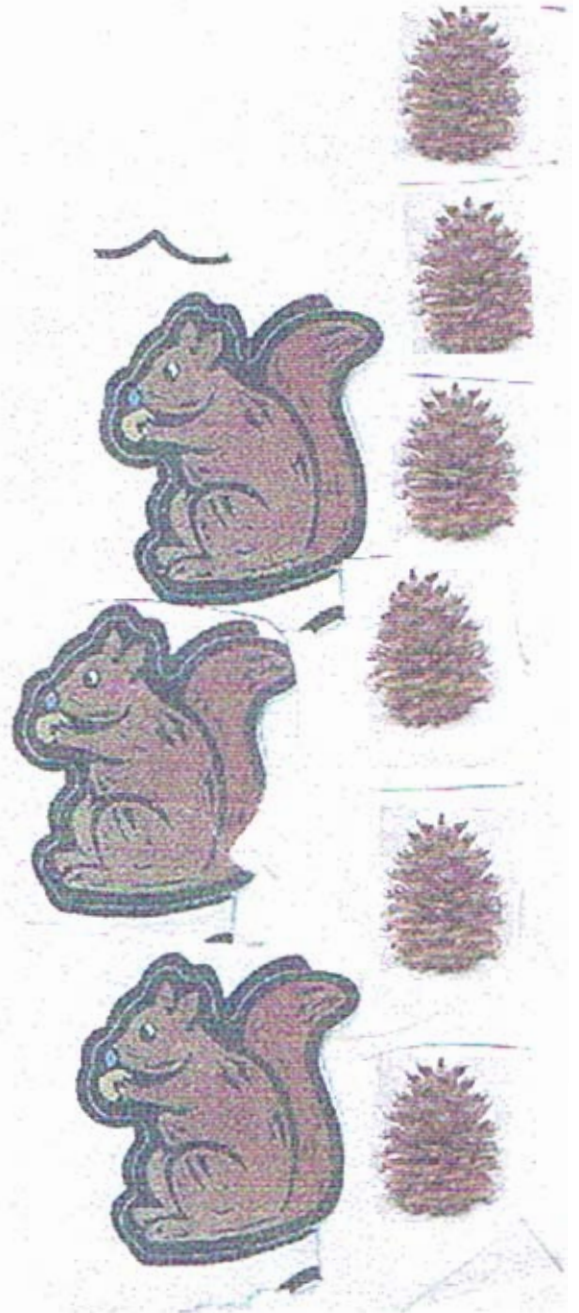


The book : The Little Fir Tree is in the Stories Section!

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Example of what the children made 12/2006

I used a combination of store bought stickers and foam stars with home made pine cone stickers. The pine cones could had just been printed, cut out and let the children glue it on with glue sticks as well as printing on sticker paper.



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Tree made with different sizes of triangles. Glue them on to construction paper. The children can decorate it if they want .

We talked about which one was the biggest and the smallest. Depending on the range of students' abilities.



Reindeer, Reindeer,  
Reindeer

Red nosed reindeer  
Dancing reindeer  
Big, fat lazy reindeer  
Long, thin skinny reindeer  
Jumping reindeer  
Playful reindeer  
Long legged jolly reindeer  
Little reindeer  
Big reindeer  
Santa's reindeer  
Don't forget Rudolph- the red  
nosed reindeer  
Last of all, best of all, I like  
flying reindeer

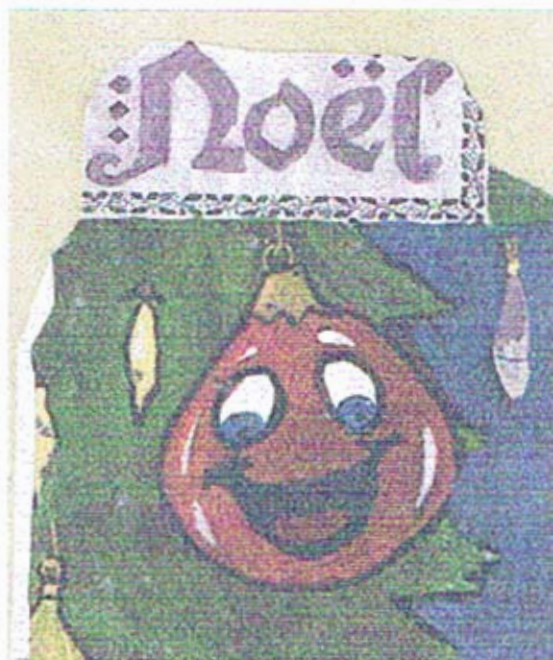
This is a poem that my friend, Vicki Craft of Gold Hill Elem. shared with me. Where the red is underlined is to be blank. Teacher and children brainstorm adjectives to describe reindeer. Then you can make a class poem or individual poems, according to abilities of children in your class. This particular poem was filled out by my higher functioning K/2 students at Trevette Elementary in 2001. The word reindeer can be substituted for other themes ( rabbits, bears and etc.).

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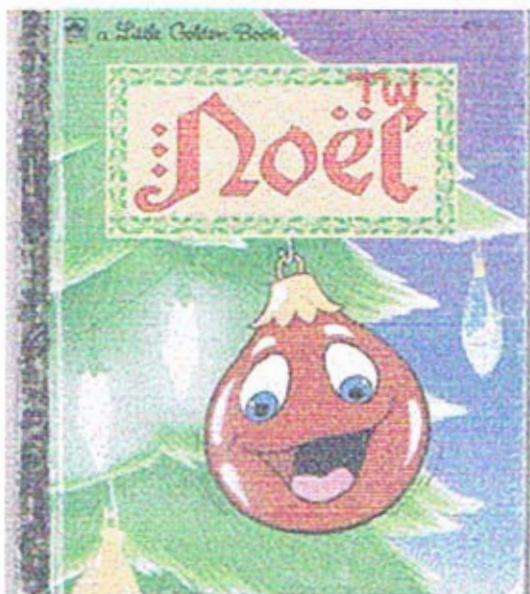
This is the display I used outside when the children colored the sheet of ornaments.

*Noël!*

A Christmas Ornament  
That Found a Thing Called  
"Happiness"



This is a picture of the little Golden Book called "NOEL"



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I have had this picture of Santa Claus for years and have no idea of its source. More than likely a color book.



## Story of the Month

### A Jolly Fellow

This is a picture of the flannel board pieces I use to go with the Jolly Santa story. I took the Santa picture from page 28, colored it, laminated it, added cotton balls for fur then cut it apart for the telling of the story, which is similar to the Little Old Lady Who Wasn't Afraid of Anything!

- The head and beard (The jolly Santa)
- The jacket with the long, long sleeves
- The short, short pants
- The black boots



Samples of Gingerbread Boy Activity:

First one was made by my grandson Elijah at Springfield Park in 12/06. It is sandpaper, with ginger spice glue on it with google eyes (we lost one), pom pom nose and buttons, with a bell hung on him.



This gingerbread boy puppet I made with my students at Gold Hill Elem.

in Buckingham county. We used felt cut out for face and buttons. The clothes are cut out of wall paper samples. He is glued onto a paper bag. Each child took turns holding their puppet and saying, "Run, run as fast as you can, you can't catch me, I am the Gingerbread man."



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Worksheet I made in 2004/2005 for the children to have visuals of examples of sharing and being kind.

Kindness is  
contagious...  
pass it on!

