

Everyone sits in a circle, holding the gift they brought. Someone reads the story below, reading slowly enough for gifts to be passed. Every time the word LEFT is read, everybody passes the gift they are holding to the left, same with the word RIGHT. The gift each person is holding when the story ends is the gift they keep.



Christmas was almost here and Mother RIGHT was finishing the baking. Father RIGHT, Sue RIGHT, and Billy RIGHT returned from their last minute errands. "There's not much LEFT to be done," Father RIGHT said as he came into the kitchen. "I'm glad we finished all our shopping," said Billy RIGHT. "I don't have any money LEFT." The telephone rang and Susan RIGHT went to answer it. She rushed RIGHT back and told the family, "Aunt Sarah RIGHT LEFT a package for us RIGHT on Grandma RIGHT'S front porch. I'll go over RIGHT now and get it." she said as she LEFT in a rush. Father LEFT the kitchen as well and brought in the Christmas tree. By the time Susan RIGHT returned, Mother RIGHT, Father RIGHT, and Billy RIGHT had begun trimming the tree. The entire RIGHT family sang carols as they finished the decorating. Then they LEFT all the presents arranged under the tree and went to bed, hoping they had selected the RIGHT gifts for their family. Now I hope you have the RIGHT present for yourself, because that's all that's LEFT of our story, except to say Merry Christmas, isn't that RIGHT?