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Kinsley, Kamden and Kaysia Heese

Hello Santa,

How are you doing? I am great! For Christmas I would like a softball pitching net, hair crimper and bath bombs. I hope you have a great Christmas and get lots of milk and cookies!

Thank you, Santa!

Love, Kinsley Heese, 9
(Brian & Brenda Heese, Earling)

Dear Santa,

How are your reindeer? I am ready for Christmas! Are you? For Christmas I would like a bigger bike and a mega Nerf gun.

I will leave you milk and cookies.

Love, Kamden Heese, 7
(Brian & Brenda Heese, Earling)

Hi Santa,

I like you. I am a good girl. Please stop by my house with a new bike, double stroller for my babies and a Minnie Mouse phone. Merry Christmas!

Thank you, Kaysia Heese, 4
(Brian & Brenda Heese, Earling)



Charles Gubbels Jr.

Dear Santa,
I'm very excited for my first Christmas! Mostly for the boxes and wrapping paper, but Daddy says we could use some farm sets to play with. I love books and any toy that makes noise.

I might have to sample some of the cookies I leave out for you as I have quite the sweet tooth.... I hope you don't mind...

Thank you!
Charles Gubbels Jr.

To Santa:

Hi! My name is Georgia and I am 4 years old. I have been a good girl most of the time, except for when I have to wake up in the morning.

This is what I would like for Christmas this year: an Ipad, LOL dolls, a bike, short boots and clothes. I would also like glow-in-the dark glue to make slime.

I am so excited for you to come to our house this year. We will leave milk and cookies out for you and reindeer food and carrots for your reindeer.

Thank you Santa,
Love-Georgia
Sonderman
(Clint and Keri
Sonderman, Earling)



Spencer and Tanner Assmann

Dear Santa,

I tried to be a pretty good boy this year but sometimes I can be a little bit ornery. For Christmas this year I would really like two red tractors, anything with dinosaurs, and anything green.

I got a little brother in October, so don't forget him! I made you some cookies and I'll be sure to leave out some milk.

Love, Spencer Assmann, 2
(Josh and Mandi Assmann, Panama)

Dear Santa,

Since I just came into this world in October there isn't much I need right now. I could always use some clothes since I'm growing so fast and some things that I can chew on. I really like my paci too, so I'd really like some of those!

I'll make sure mom leaves out some carrots for your reindeer!

Love, Tanner Assmann, 2 mos.
(Josh and Mandi Assmann, Panama)

To Santa Claus:

Hi, my name is Asya. These are some things I would like for Christmas. I would like a blush pink cardigan, slime kits, sunglasses, Christmas shirt, black ankle boots, black Converse high tops, money billfold, gray Nike sweatpants, closet organizer, instant snow, arts and craft supplies and a gray bedspread.

I will leave cookies and milk for you and carrots for your reindeer. Thank you Santa!

Love-Asya Sonderman
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Brookelyn Kaufman

Dear Santa,

My name is Brookie. How is the North Pole? I have been working hard in pre-school. I got all my letters down and count up to 15.

For Christmas i would like to have peppa pig things and minnie mouse and a fingerling, a minnie mouse scooter or a bike. I hope to hear from you soon.

*Love
Brookelyn Kaufman, 3
(Tahni & Mark Kaufman)*

Dear Mr. Clause,

How it going? This year for xmas i would like xbox one games, star war legos, new bike, and gift cards.

*Love, Isaac Kaufman
(Tahni & Mark Kaufman)*



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Caiden Hicks

Dear Santa,

Hello Santa! Thank you for sending me my Elf on the shelf Chester again.

Alot has changed since you came last year. I'm now 8 in 2nd grade and I'm an uncle! So please bring my baby niece Jaylynn some more Mickey Mouse toys and new books.

I have been trying really hard to be a good boy, but sometimes it's just hard. I would like a drone, laser X, and virtual reality glasses. I'm really easy to please! My big brother Cam has been naughty at times by not sharing his toys with me, but I suppose you can bring him a cell phone, a drone and deadpool action figures. And we can't forget about my sister Courtnee and Jayde they just bought a new house so please bring them something nice!

We will leave you milk and cookies. Have a safe trip.

*Love, Caiden Hicks
(Jeff and Andrea Hicks, Harlan)*



Jack Christensen

Dear Santa,

My name is Jack Christensen and I am 1 year old. I have been very good this year! My Christmas wishes are for trucks, choo-choo trains, a singing Elmo stuffed animal, and anything Paw Patrol or Mickey Mouse.

I hope you enjoy the cookies and milk! Thanks Santa!

*Love, Jack Christensen
(Adam & Erin Christensen,
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Blakely and Cooper Sorensen

Dear Santa,

I hope I am on your nice list. I have been very good this year. I help my little sister and family. Sometimes I even help my dad on the farm! Where do your elves make their toys? Can they make hot wheels?

For Christmas I would like a Hot Wheels Ultimate Shark Garage, Dinosaur lego sets, and puzzles and coloring books that are dinosaurs but only the meat eaters. I will have cookies for you!

*Love, Cooper Sorensen, 5
(Dean & Elyse Sorensen, Harlan)*

Dear Santa,

I have been good most of the time this year. I like to help my mom clean and feed my chickens. I'm sorry I cried when I saw you at Pizza Ranch, I really do like you! For Christmas I would like anything that is purple or anything to do with cats. I would also like babies and dress up things.

See you soon Santa!

*Love, Blakely Sorensen, 2
(Dean & Elyse Sorensen, Harlan)*



Abigayle Kaufman

Dear Santa,

My name is Abigayle and I am 7. Hope you and Mrs. Clause are doing good! For Christmas this year i would like LOL doll house and more LOL dolls, fingerlings, shopkins, poopie pooey purse, and a jojo siwa karaoke machine.

Last i would like more make up and hair accessories. Say hi to nana and grandma for me since your high up in the north pole.

*Love,
Abigayle Kaufman
(Tahni & Mark Kaufman)*



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Zoey Olson

Dear Santa,

I have tried really hard this year to be good. I would like some new legos, American Girl doll stuff, books, stuffed animals, a drawing set with a sketch book, a teal office chair, a computer, a ring for my finger, and a camera.

I will leave cookies and milk out for you.

Love, Zoey Olson, 7



Emily Christensen

Dear Santa,

My name is Emily Christensen and I am 5 years old. I have been very good this year! For Christmas, I would love LOL dolls, a puzzle, an LOL scooter, board games, and a Mrs. Claus dress for a Barbie.

On Christmas Eve, I'll be sure to leave you cookies and milk and a carrot for your reindeer! Thanks Santa!

Love, Emily Christensen
(Adam & Erin Christensen,
West Des Moines)



Hailey Geraghty

Dear Santa,

I would like horses for Christmas. I would like a real horse, please.

Santa, how many reindeer do you have? Merry Christmas! I have been super good.

Love, Hailey Geraghty, 6
(Brian & Stephanie Geraghty, Avoca)



Emerson, Owen and Henry Boger

Dear Santa,

My name is Emerson and I am 7 years old. I know how to be a good boy. All I want for Christmas is cowboy boots that are brown, a new basketball and a police car.

Emerson Boger
(holding baby brother Henry)

Dear Santa,

My name is Owen and I am 5 years old. I have been a good boy this year. All I want for Christmas is a battery powered police car and fire truck, lego cement truck, cowboy boots size 13 and a hover board. My baby brother Henry has been good this year too he likes anything he can put in his mouth!

Owen Boger



Harper Hesser


Dear Santa,

I've been good this year. I would like a candy cane to eat. I would also like a Paw Patrol toy and mermaid swim suit and tail. Thank you for everything.

Love, Harper Hesser, 5
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Give holiday meals a flavorful twist

The holiday season is rife with tradition. Family and friends often gather together around the dining room table to share conversation, memories and good food, making the holidays a special time of year. Home chefs looking to expand their culinary horizons can include this recipe for "Slow Cooker Spiced-Cranberry Pork," to their holiday menus. Pork is a versatile protein that pairs well with the tart, holiday-centric flavor of cranberries.

Slow Cooker Spiced-Cranberry Pork

Serves 8

3-1/2 to 4 pound pork shoulder

6-oz can jellied cranberry sauce

2/3 cup sugar

3/4 cup cranberry juice

2 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard



1-1/2 teaspoons ground cloves

1 teaspoon ground black pepper

Salt to taste

Trim fat from pork roast, if necessary. Place roast in 4- to 6-quart slow cooker. Use wire whisk to stir together cranberry sauce and sugar in

medium bowl.

Stir in juice, mustard, cloves and pepper until well combined. Pour cranberry mixture over roast in slow cooker.

Cover slow cooker and cook on low for 6 to 8 hours or until pork roast is tender. Season roast to taste with salt; serve juices with roast.

4 tips to simplify cooking for a crowd this holiday season

Families big and small typically celebrate the holiday season together. For some, celebrating the holidays with family requires traveling, while others stay put and welcome family and friends into their homes.

At some point during the holiday season, celebrants who host family and friends will no doubt prepare a home-cooked meal for their loved ones. Cooking for a crowd can seem like a daunting task, especially for first-time hosts. However, there are various ways for hosts to simplify cooking for a crowd this holiday season.

1. Prepare a familiar dish.

Hosts may agonize over their holiday menus, and some may feel compelled to prepare a family specialty or the same dishes their parents or grandparents prepared for holiday dinners when they were children. But holiday hosts can make things easy on themselves by choosing dishes they've made in the past, regardless of their place in family history. Chances are the ingredients for hosts' own specialties are already in the pantry, saving a potentially time-consuming trip to the grocery store. And thanks to the familiarity factor, hosts' own specialties likely won't require as much time to prepare.

2. Share some cooking duties.

Another way to simplify cooking for a crowd is to invite guests to bring along a side dish or dessert. Guests who live nearby can make something in advance of the big meal, while hosts can hand over their kitchens to overnight guests who express a willingness to contribute their own homecooked dish to the party. Sharing the cooking duties gives hosts more time to connect with friends and family and serves as a great way to plan the menu in advance.

3. Only make what guests are likely to eat.

Hosts also should not feel pressured to cook more food than is necessary. Holiday meals have a tendency to be lavish, but hosts don't have to spend all day in the kitchen preparing food that will likely end up as leftovers or trash. Get a final headcount in the days before everyone comes over and adjust your recipes accordingly.

4. Start early.

If the big is on Christmas Day, that does not mean hosts have to start cooking while everyone unwraps their presents. Hosts who are uncertain about what to cook can look for meals that can be prepared in advance so come the big day all they need to do is turn on the oven and let meals cook while the family spends time together.

Hosts can employ various strategies to simplify the process of cooking for a crowd this holiday season.



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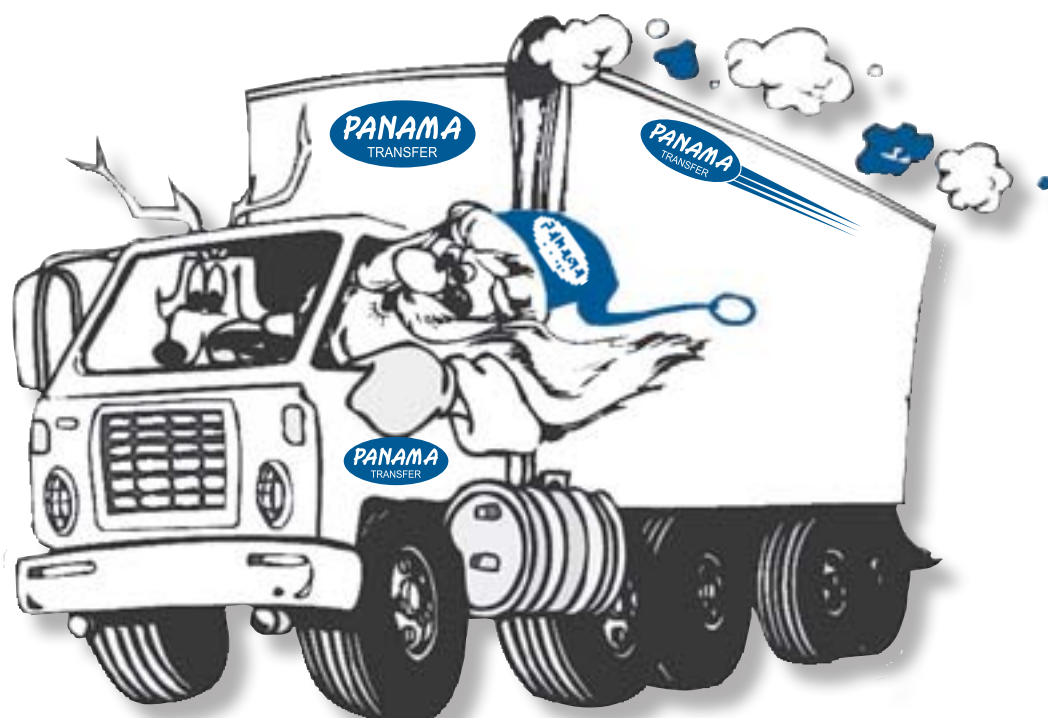
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