

Thrilling
Behind-the-scenes
FACT!

See that snowman?
He was originally
on the book's cover
but ultimately got
replaced with the
nutcracker! **WOW!**

What
does
SANTA
hide
in his
own
CHRISTMAS
BOOK?

a Spotters Guide.



Stocking not stuffed enough?

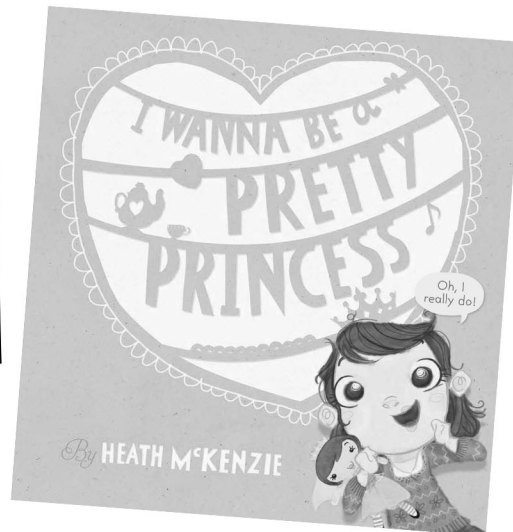
Well...as they say, ~~buy these books!~~
a book is a gift that can
be opened again and again!

(And these two are quite slim, so if your stocking IS
stuffed enough...you could probably wedge these in anyway!)



The original companion
piece to 'What Does Santa
Do When It's Not Christmas?'

As is evident in the title
it's NOT actually about
Halloween... so in a way -
it's about Christmas as much as
any other day of the year!



A classic for all little girls,
regardless of what they want to be!
(But especially for those with nothing but
princessly plans in mind!)

Welcome to the
'What does **Santa** do when it's not **Christmas?**'
spotters guide.

Within the photocopied pages of this little booklet you
will find lists of AAALLLL* the hidden things that
can be found!

It doesn't tell you WHERE they are, just WHAT
they are...after all, half the fun is in the searching!
The WHOLE book is a potential hiding place, so
don't forget to search the covers and endpapers too -
things really are hidden everywhere!

You may even find the true meaning of Christmas...
it's not intentionally in there - but ya never know, I
could've fluked it and not realised!

Happy hunting,

Happy Christmas,

Happy Christmas Hunting!

Available instore and online - all over the place!



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* when I say 'AAALLLL' I mean 'MOSSSTTTT' There are some famous faces I borrowed here and there throughout the
book that aren't listed in this guide...partly for my own sanity's sake! There's a lot to keep track of!

Mice! MICE! EVERYWHERE!!!

Yes! **47** mice (to be precise!)

To tell you where they ALL are would ruin the fun - so i'll offer a clue or two and nothing more!

There are mice EVERYWHERE except the inside title page!

Throughout the story pages there are 3 to be found on each spread...beyond that though, the remaining mice could be anywhere - inside OR out!

(The mice all have little antlers stuck to their heads - a rather obscure reference to an all-time favourite Christmas movie of mine! But 'WHICH ONE?!')

Elves! ELVES! EVERYWHERE!!!

There are **218** unique elves - feel free to count them!

This includes a puppet elf, a muppet elf, a cardboard cutout elf and a balloon with an elf face drawn on it...presumably standing in for some lazy elf who's off at the beach or something.

Christmas Traditional Figures, Books and other...stuff!

Can you spot
St. Nicholas



An Advent Wreath

The Yule Goat



The Queen's
Christmas Message



An Advent Calendar



'All I Want For
Christmas is You'
Mariah Carey!



These two
albums!

(they're VERY
small...good luck!)

'The Elf on the Shelf'



(I was completely unaware of this 'tradition', but as I did my research and worked away, that elf kept popping up time and time again in countless google searches...so I figured it must be a pretty big 'thing' somewhere!
And lo and behold, this year, I see it available in Australian stores.
'Beware...the 'elf on the shelf' has infiltrated the Australian Christmas market!)

Not-Christmas Books (also referenced)!

Madeline

'Where's Wally'?

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

I 'Wanna Be A Pretty Princess

by Heath McKenzie...fancy that!

'What Do Werewolves Do When
It's Not Halloween?

by Heath McKenzie (why not collect them all?!)

Christmas Books

A Visit from St. Nicholas
(aka 'Twas the Night Before Christmas...)

How The Grinch Stole Christmas

How Santa Really Works

Olive the Other Reindeer

A Christmas Carol

The Polar Express

The Jolly Christmas Postman

The Little Matchgirl

(possibly illegible...thus kind of unfindable!)

Who doesn't love

CHRISTMAS MOVIES & TV!

Obvious, obscure and even downright cryptic
references abound for all of these
holiday favourites!

GREMLINS™

BILL MURRAY
SCROOGED

**Jingle
All The
Way**

RARE  **EXPORTS**
A CHRISTMAS TALE

HOME  ALONE

TIM BURTON'S
**THE
NIGHTMARE
BEFORE
CHRISTMAS**

loveactually

"A CHARLIE BROWN CHRISTMAS"

NATIONAL
LAMPOON'S
CHRISTMAS VACATION

**A
CHRISTMAS
STORY**



BLACKADDER'S
**CHRISTMAS
CAROL**

The Muppet
CHRISTMAS CAROL

**ARTHUR
CHRISTMAS**

Santa Claus
THE MOVIE

MERRY CHRISTMAS
MR BEAN

DIE HARD

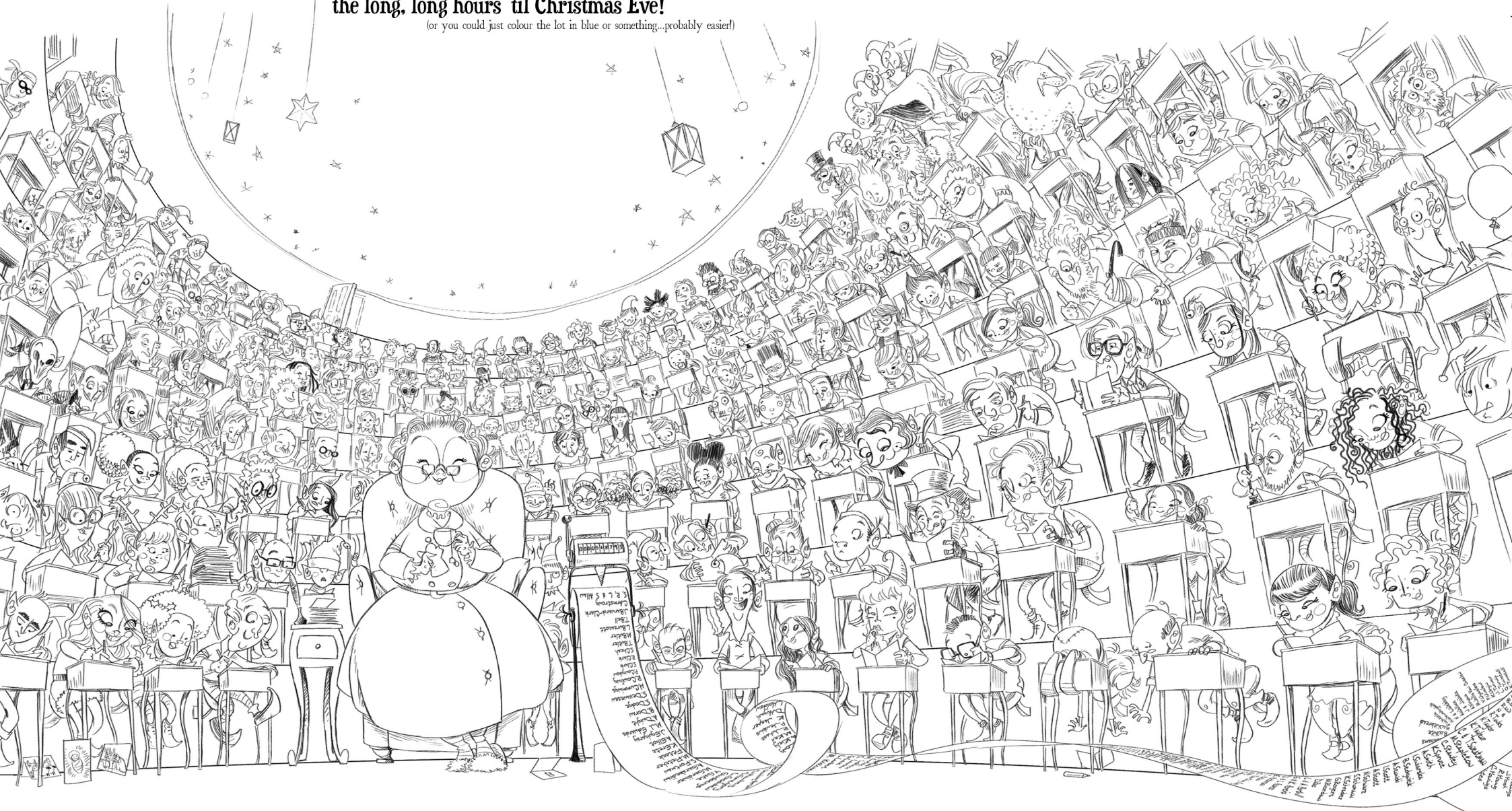


There's also a very obscure reference to a notorious 80s 'video nasty' called 'Silent Night, Deadly Night'.
Something for the horror fans...not necessarily something for the kiddies!

CHRISTMAS COLOURING IN!

Here's a challenge to help pass
the long, long hours 'til Christmas Eve!

(or you could just colour the lot in blue or something...probably easier!)



Draw your OWN elves to finish the top of the picture!

(Chance for creativity and imagination...or just an excuse to cover the laziness of the illustrator?
YOU DECIDE!)

...but wait - you **KNOW** there's **MORE!**

That's right - **NON-Christmas**

MOVIES & TV!

Just as obscure but all the more cryptic...because...
isn't this a Christmas book?!

Seek and find references to:

Tim Burton's 1989

BATMAN

Disney · PIXAR
TOY STORY

THE
DEVIL
WEARS
PRADA

(more of an overall homage than a specific reference...as such!)

CITIZEN KANE

Disney · PIXAR
UP

Coraline

STAR TREK

THE NEVERENDING STORY

If you find any I haven't mentioned and therefore have forgotten about, do let me know as it's quite likely this has occurred! You can 'like' my facebook page and harass me there!

'Due to the nature of the Reindeer page, there was suddenly potential for a whole load of time-travel references...

...obviously, this was something I was unable to resist!

So enjoy spotting a brief, incomplete history
of **TIME-TRAVEL** in film and Television.

The following head spinning delights have been referenced!

**BACK
TO THE FUTURE**

THE
SIMPSONS
HALLOWEEN
SPECIAL

**THE TIME
MACHINE**

Bill & Ted's
EXCELLENT
adventure

Napoleon Dynamite

THE
TIME
TUNNEL

**HOT TUB
TIME MACHINE**

And speaking of time travel...
...as has become tradition in my books - a

DOCTOR WHO

reference - or 20
(give or take!)

As a popular annual Christmas Day fixture
on the BBC, I feel fully justified in
including Doctor Who references...this time atleast!



What?!

TWO Stories for the price of ONE?!

Believe it or not...
the **NATIVITY** Story
is there to be found,
running right alongside the main story!

You just need to know **WHERE** to look!

Starting on the first page of the story...

- An angel appears to Mary with some unexpected news...to say the least!
- Mary and Joseph head to Bethlehem to have the baby (why? Look it up sometime...it's quite grim!)
- Upon arriving - no room at the inn!
- The baby is born in a manger...they go with 'Jesus' for the name.
- Shepherds (of all people) are visited by angels who are quite excited to share the birth news (this was pre-facebook...so angels were used back then).
- The Shepherds pop over for a visit.
- Three 'Wise Men/Kings see the star.
- They travel to Bethlehem to see Jesus too.
- Gifts are presented: Gold,

They were about to go on a big, long deserty journey through some dodgy towns on the way so they'd need money!

Myrrh
and Frankincense.

Big long deserty journeys tend to lead to sunburn and insect bites and other problems - Myrrh was basically medicine for all that!

Big, long deserty journeys tend to make you smelly - Frankincense tends to help with that...like a sort of Lynx spray for the Biblical traveller.



SPOT the DIFFERENCE(s)!

There are 6 subtle differences to be found! Can YOU find them all?!

