



A Christmas Wish

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Complex Combinations

This story compares different ways of creating the same sounds.

Phonic Decoding

The sound 'ouse' - as in the word 'house'

The sound 'ere' - as in the word 'there'

Carefully Explain:

The sound 'u' as in 'quiet'

Try These New Words

beam lovely Christmas brother
together laugh hospital
everywhere quiet



I had a dream that Santa came to our house.
He crept down the chimney, as quiet as a mouse.

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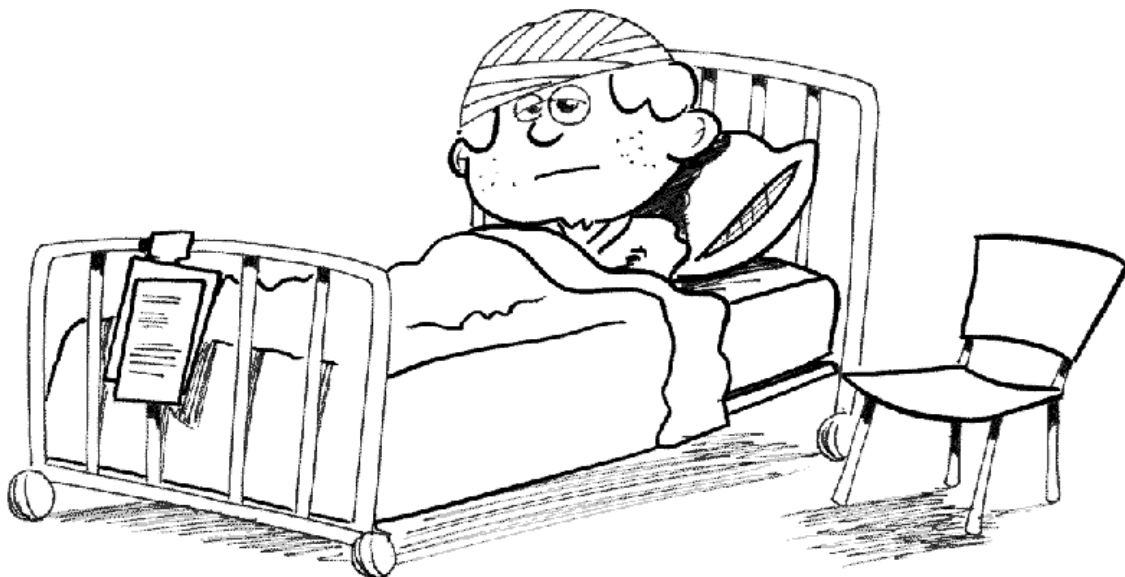
He had a sack full of toys, just for us - there were lovely new dolls, cars, trucks and a shiny blue bus.



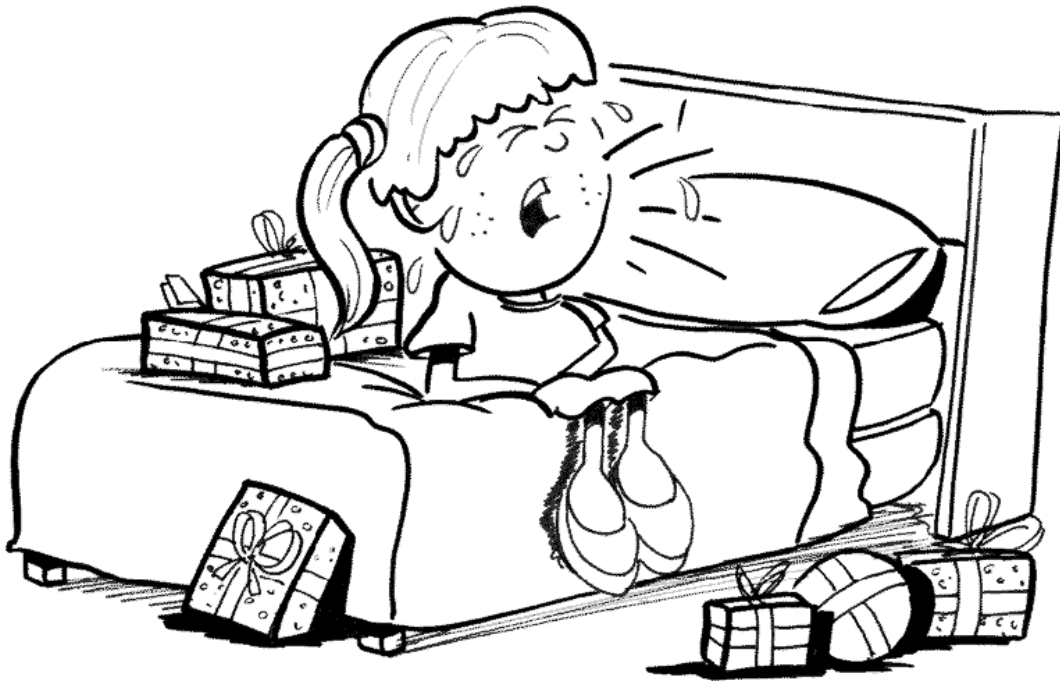
Excited, I turned to my brother - but he wasn't there.
I ran around the house, I looked for him everywhere.

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Then I remembered that he'd hit his head.
And he was still very sick, in a hospital bed.



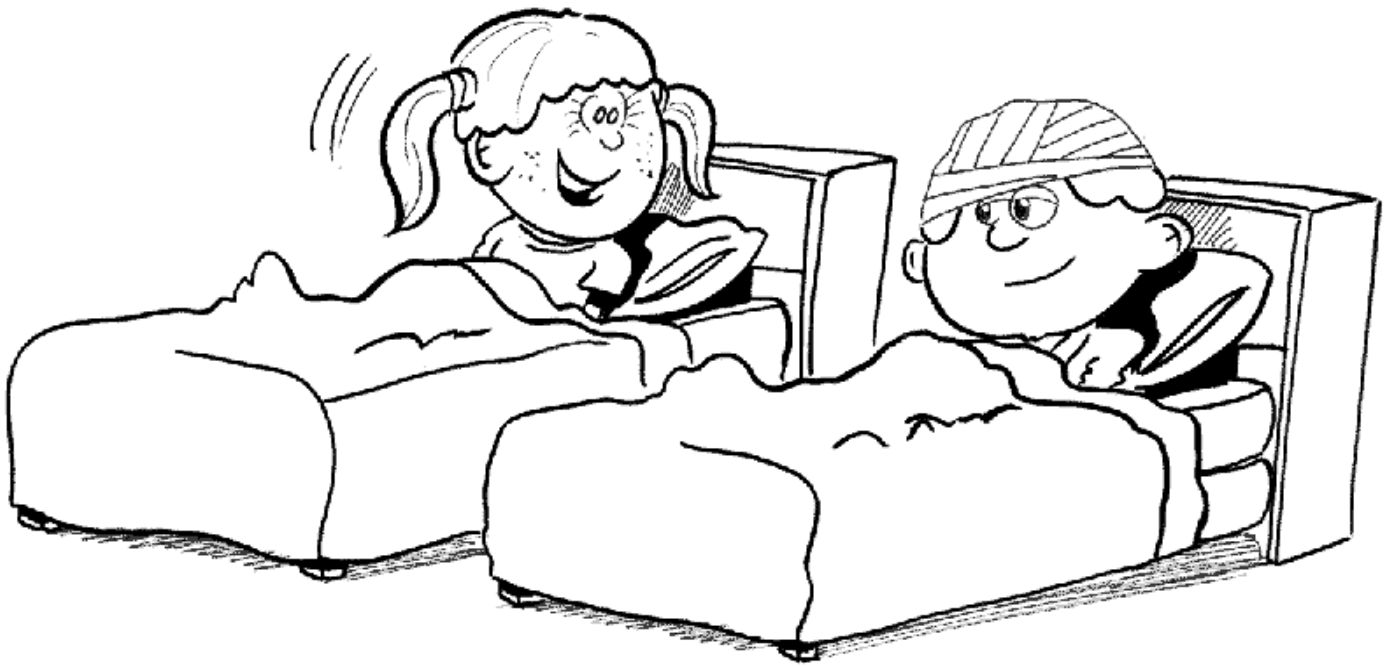
I sat down on my bed and began to cry.
All the toys are nice, but these, anyone can buy.

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What I really want for Christmas is my brother home with me,
so we can play and laugh and be together as a family.



Then I woke up with a start, and looked around.
Tucked in bed was my brother, safe and sound.

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I smiled to myself, my wish had come true!
I hope your dreams and wishes do too!

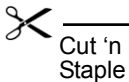
Extra Words

where we're there their stair
stare bear bare fair fare

Comprehension

1. What were the toys Santa had in his sack?
2. What colour was the bus?
3. What happened to the girl's brother?
4. What did she want for Christmas?
5. What did she see when she woke up?

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Complete the sentences with these words.

around, house, sound, mouse.

Santa came to our _____ as
quiet as a _____. I looked
_____ and my brother was
safe and _____.