

Christmas book lucky dip

Can your class read all 16 festive stories before Christmas? Each decoration hides a new reading adventure, helping to build excitement and create memorable story times throughout the season.



For teachers

Add a little festive excitement to story time with our Christmas Lucky Dip! This simple lucky dip activity encourages a love of reading while creating a special shared experience for your class during the Christmas season.



Preparation

1. Download and print the 16 Christmas decorations.
2. Print the 16 selected book covers.
3. Cut out all decorations and book covers.
4. Attach the book cover to the back of the decoration.
5. Place the decorations in a festive container such as a Christmas sack, gift box, basket, or stocking.



How to play

Each day, invite a pupil to choose one Christmas decoration from the collection. Turn over the decoration to reveal the hidden book cover and announce the chosen story to the class. Enjoy reading the book together and sharing the magic of the story. Remove the decoration after use so a different book is revealed each day.



Making it extra special Ask pupils to predict the book before revealing it (there may be a clue in the picture), rate the stories with stars, share favourite characters, and vote for their favourite Christmas book.