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WEEK 1: THE BIG SNOWSTORM

My Kindness Countdown

Each day, do your kindness mission. Then color its box!

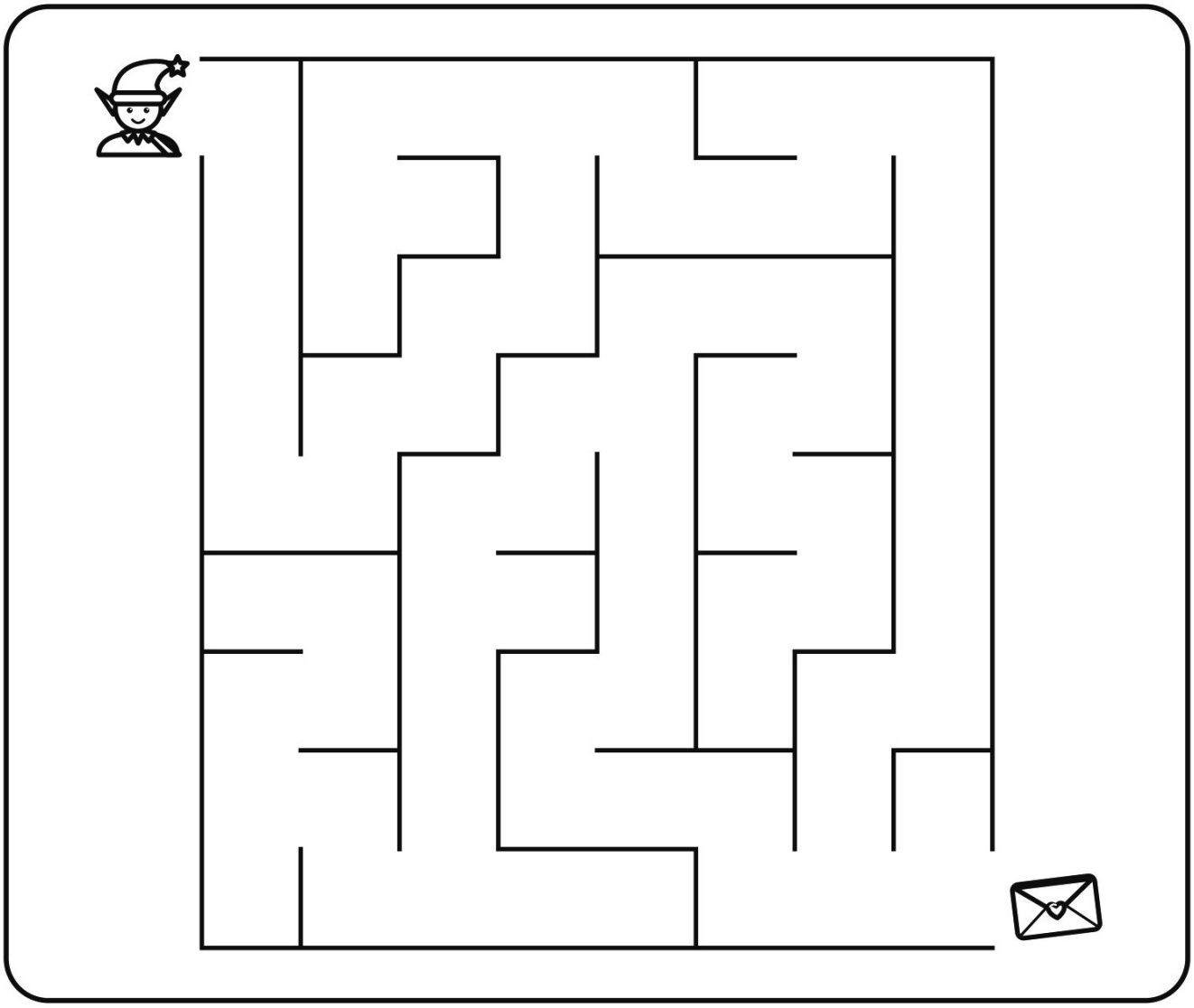
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5 Tidy up 10 things	6 Draw for a neighbor	7 Say 3 kind things	8 Read to someone younger
9 Help put things away	10 Make a paper snowflake	11 Ask about a winter memory	12 Pick a toy to give away
13 Hold the door open	14 Feed a pet or water a plant	15 Give a "You are great!" note	16 Let someone pick the game
17 Call someone you miss	18 Thank the dinner cook	19 Make a hello card	20 Help make a snack
21 Share a happy thing	22 Clean up a mess	23 Thank your mail carrier	24 Say what you're thankful for

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Day 1: The First Lost Letter

Help Pip find a path through the snowy post office yard to the first lost letter.

KINDNESS MISSION **Give someone a big smile and say good morning.**



Day 1: Meet the Mail Crew

Color Juniper, Pip, Kai, Mila and Theo, ready for the big search!

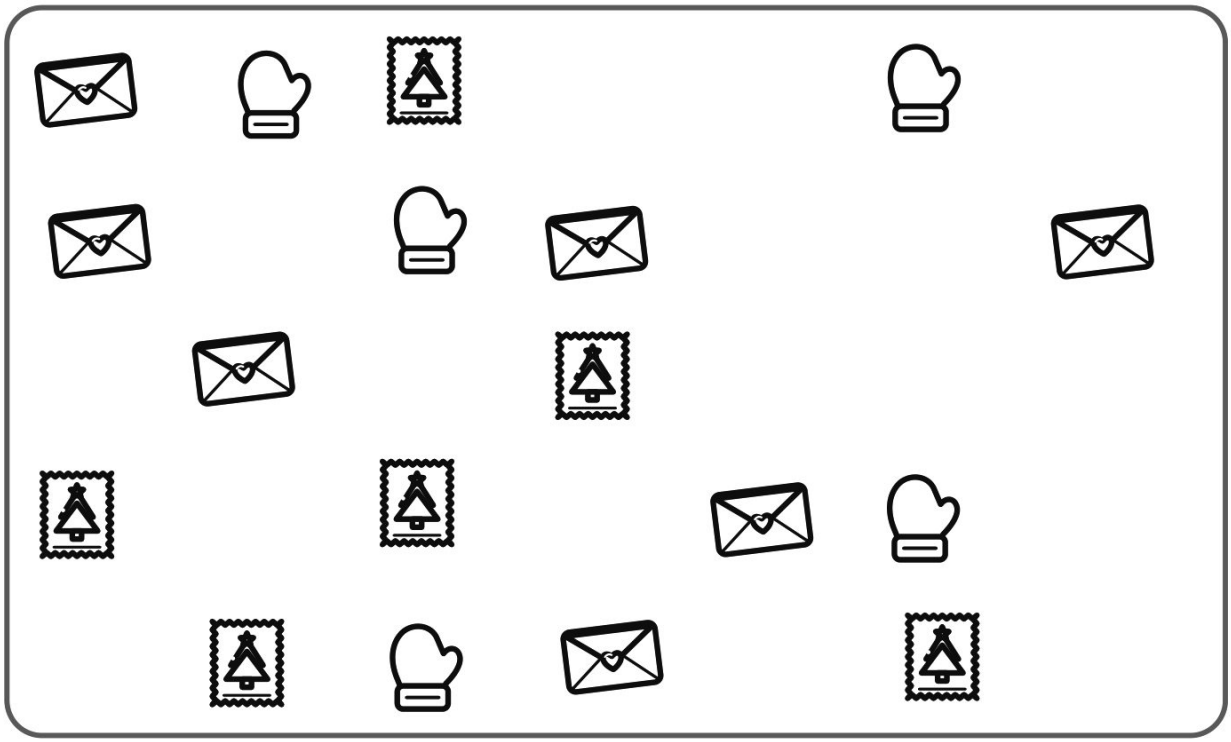


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Day 2: Letters in the Snow

The storm scattered letters, mittens and stamps. Count each kind and write the number.

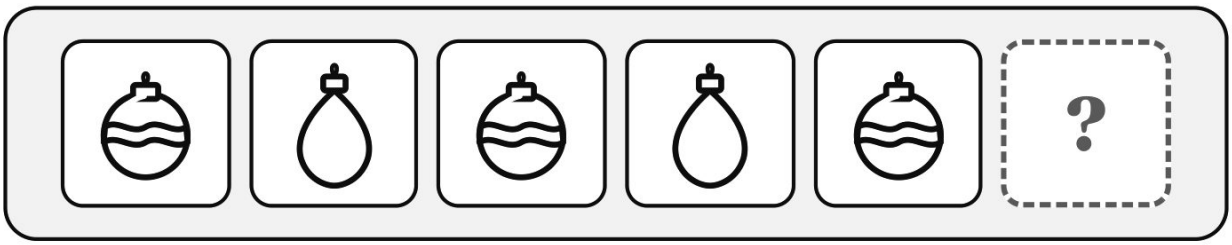
KINDNESS MISSION **Help set the table for a meal.**

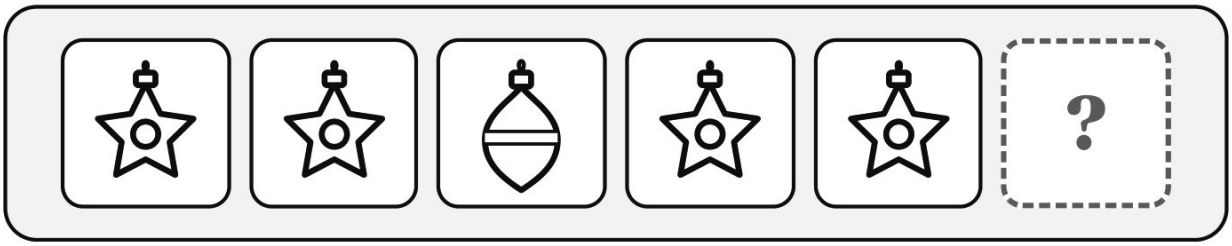


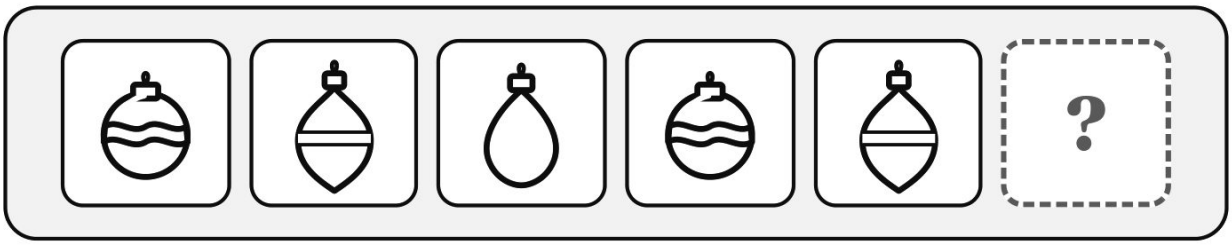
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Day 2: Ornament Patterns

What comes next? Draw the missing ornament at the end of each row.







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Day 3: Snowstorm Words

Find each storm word. Words go across or down.

KINDNESS MISSION **Make a thank-you card for a helper, like a teacher or a bus driver.**

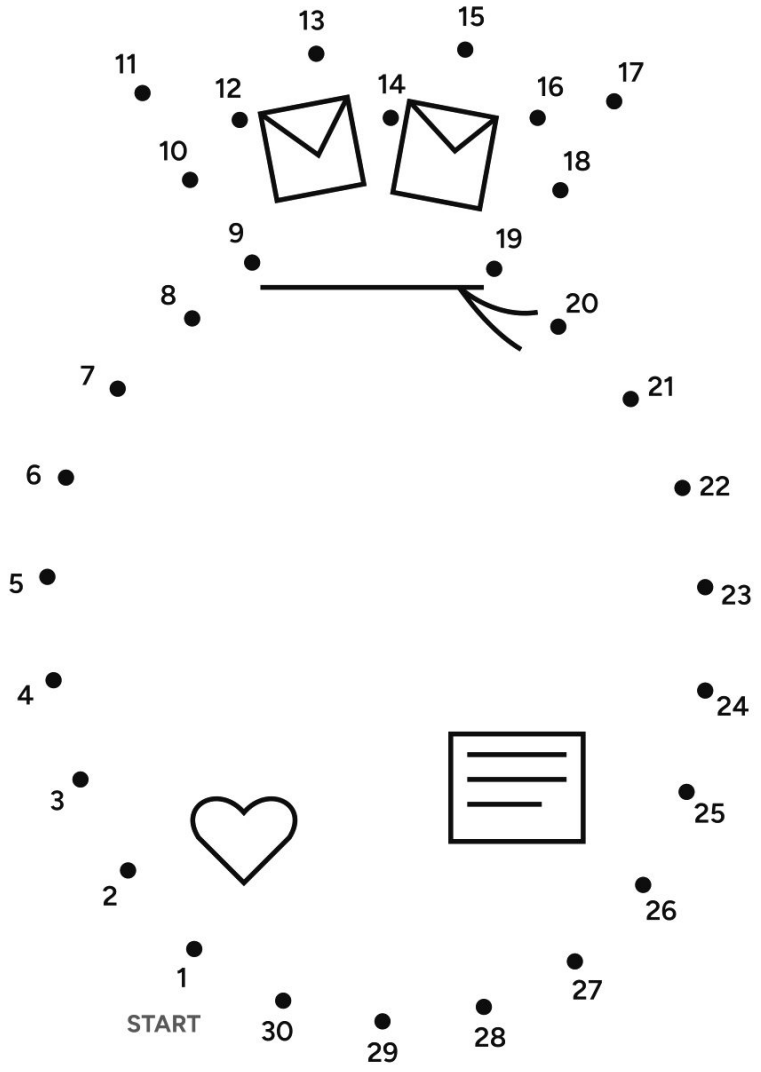
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- ☐ SNOW
- ☐ SLED
- ☐ MAIL
- ☐ HAT
- ☐ ELF
- ☐ STAR

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Day 3: Found in the Snow

Connect the dots from 1 to 30 to see what the crew found. Finish by joining the last dot back to 1.



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Day 4: A Secret Note

A note was tucked inside today's letter. Use the code key to find the letter for each number.

KINDNESS MISSION **Share a toy or a game with someone.**

A 1	B 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	H 8	I 9
J 10	K 11	L 12	M 13	N 14	O 15	P 16	Q 17	R 18
S 19	T 20	U 21	V 22	W 23	X 24	Y 25	Z 26	

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20	18	1	3	11	19																					

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Day 4: Real Reindeer Facts

Juniper is a reindeer. Read these real facts with a grown-up!



Two names

Reindeer and caribou are the same kind of animal.



Antlers for all

Both male and female reindeer grow antlers. In most other kinds of deer, only the males do.



Winter antlers

Female reindeer keep their antlers all winter, until their calves are born in spring.



Winter food

In winter, reindeer eat lichen, which is also called reindeer moss.

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Day 5: Color the Mitten

Color each square with the color for its number.

KINDNESS MISSION **Tidy up 10 things without being asked.**

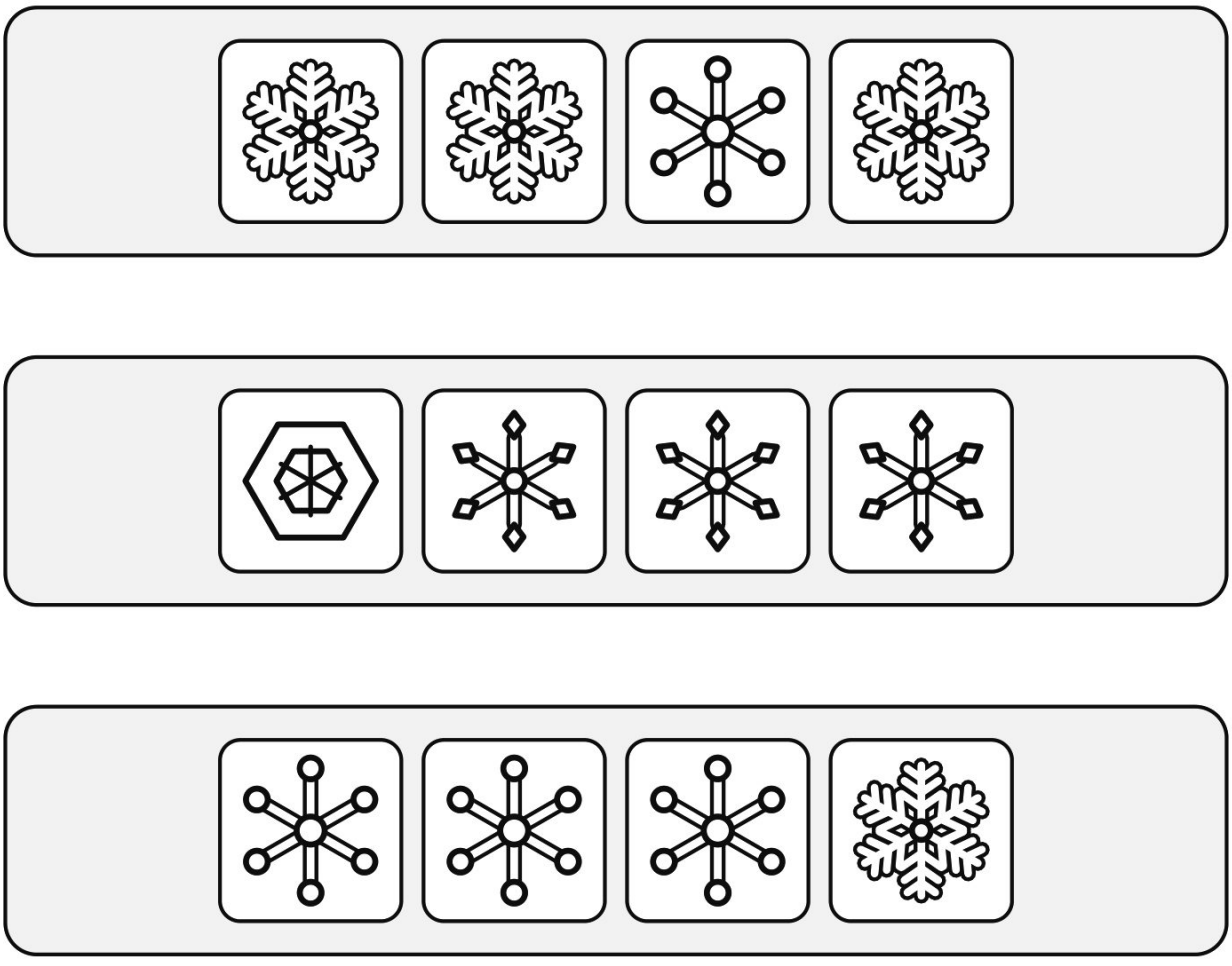
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1 = Red **2** = Yellow **3** = Light blue **4** = Brown
5 = Green **6** = Pink

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Day 5: Which Snowflake Is Different?

Look closely! Circle the snowflake that is different in each row.



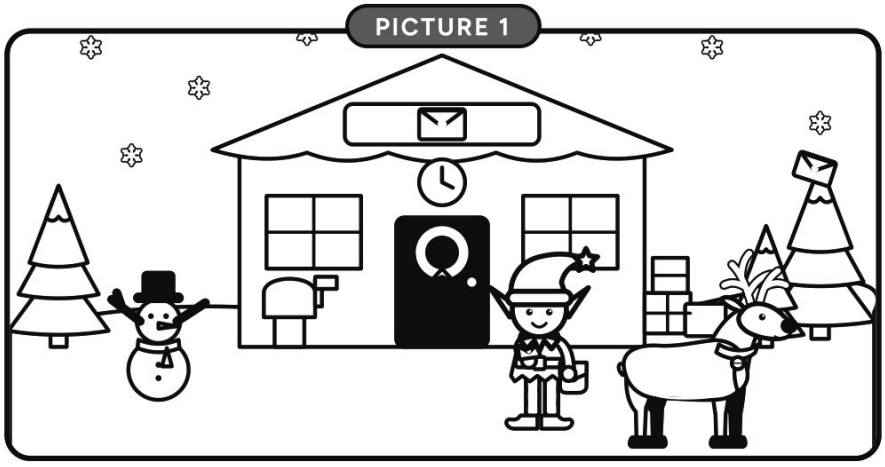
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Day 6: The Busy Post Office

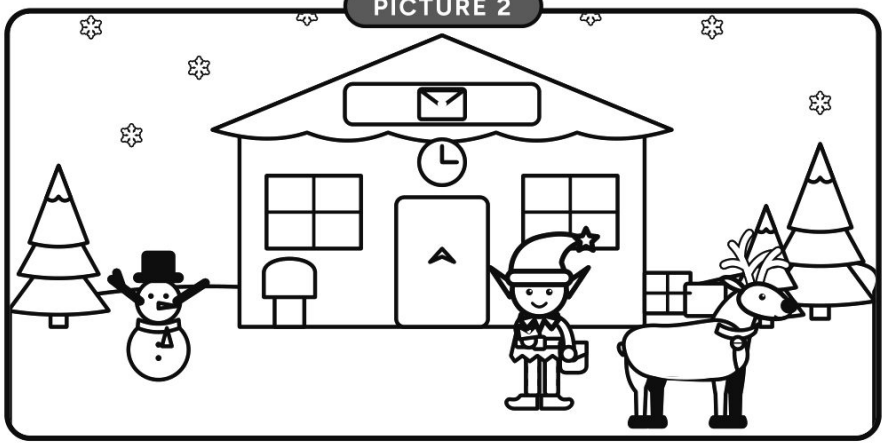
Week challenge! Find 6 things that are different in Picture 2 and circle them.

KINDNESS MISSION **Draw a picture for a grandparent or a neighbor.**

PICTURE 1



PICTURE 2



I found: ◯ ◯ ◯ ◯ ◯ ◯

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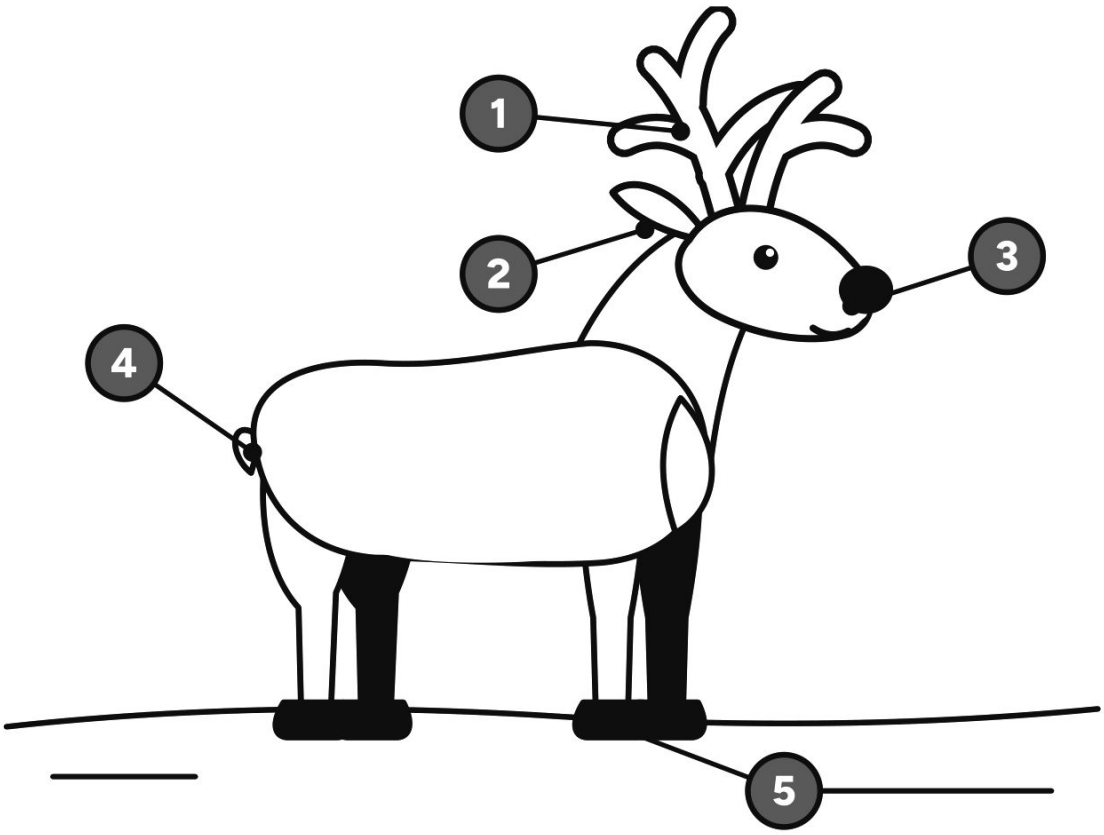
Day 6: Design a Stamp

Every letter needs a stamp! Design a stamp for Pip's letters, with a picture and a number.

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Workshop Lab: Parts of a Reindeer

Juniper is a girl reindeer, and she has antlers too! Use the word bank to name each part.



Word bank antlers | ear | hoof | nose | tail

1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

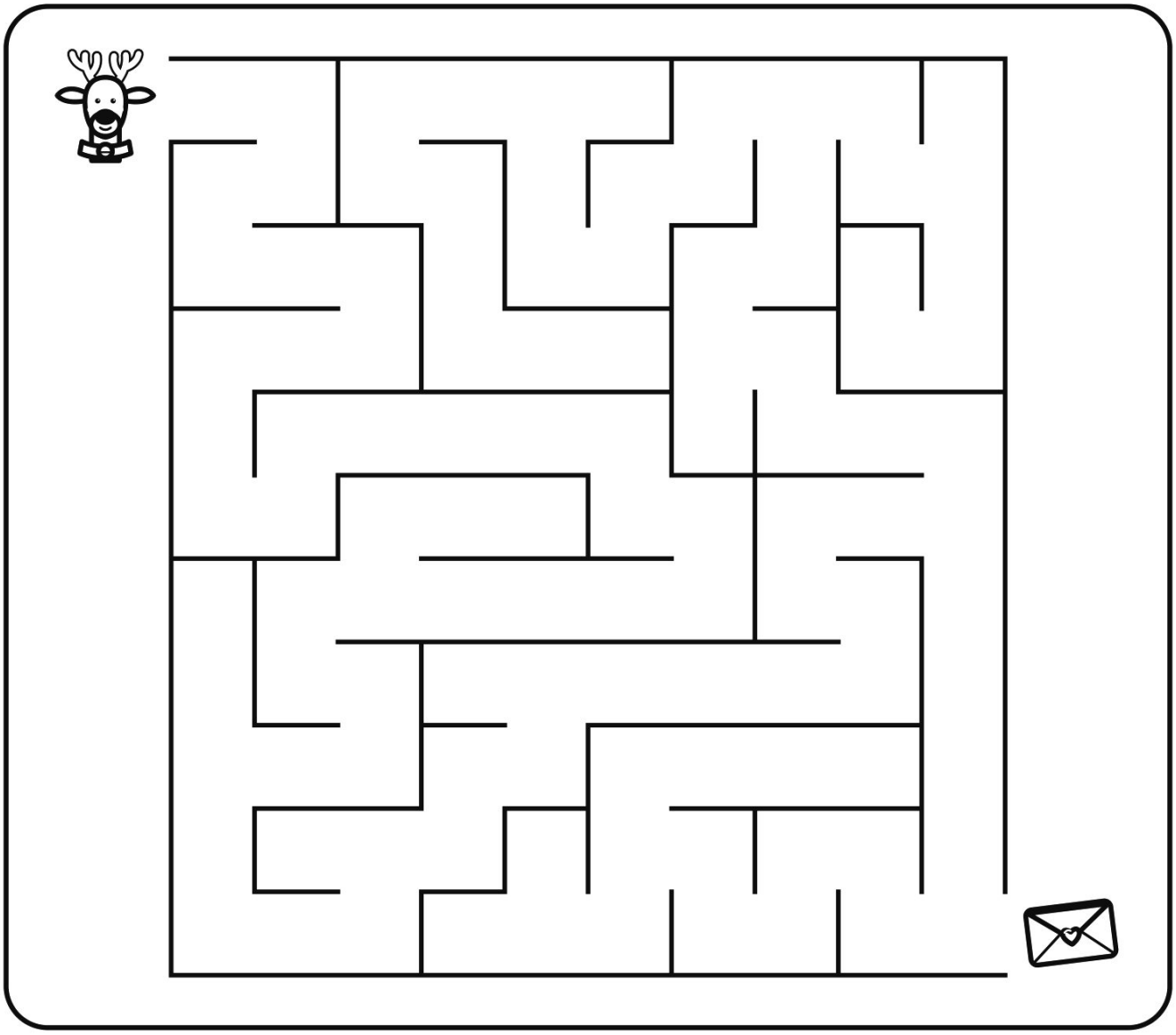
4 _____ 5 _____

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Day 7: Through the Pine Trees

Lead Juniper between the trees to the letter caught in the branches.

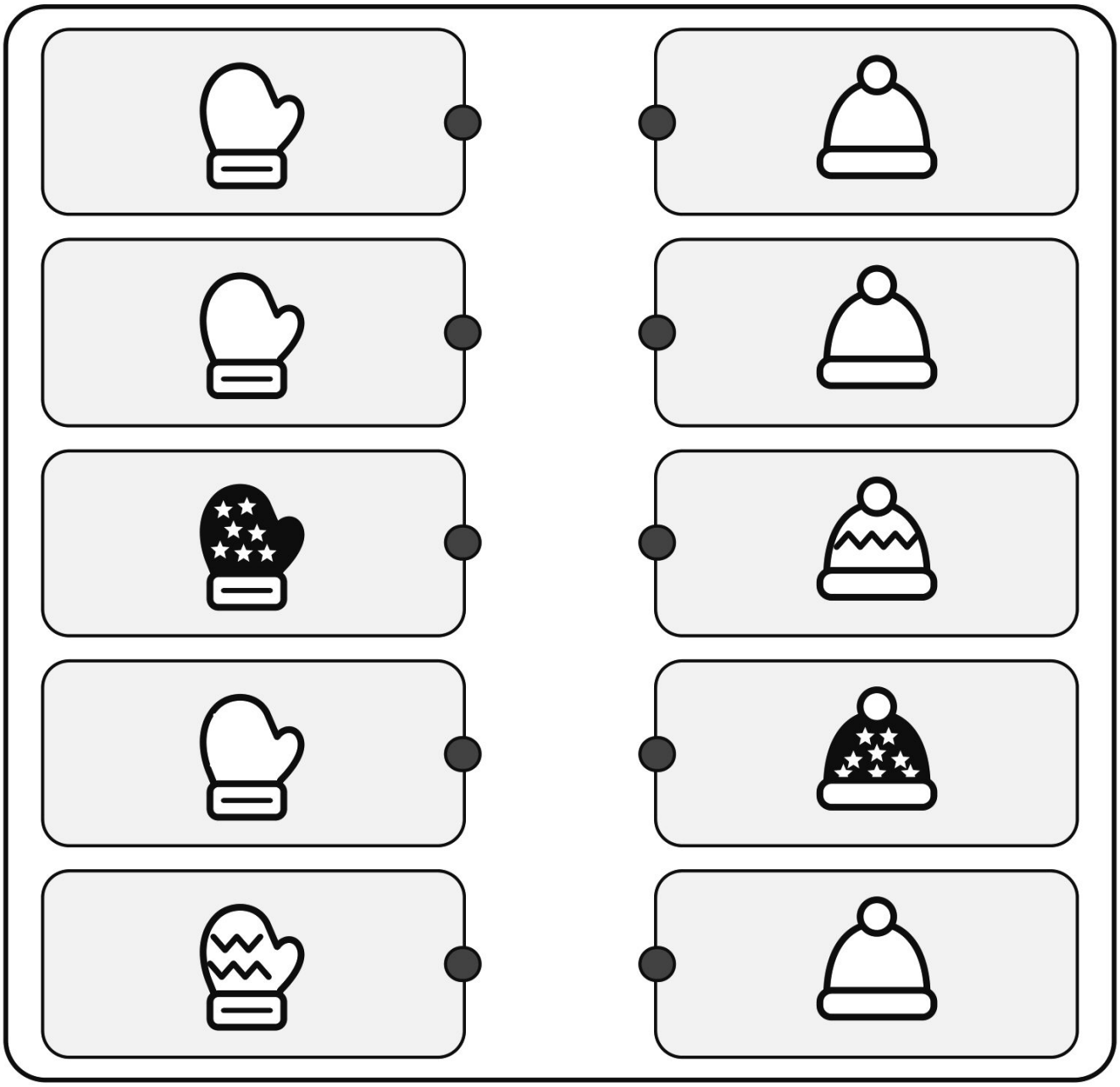
KINDNESS MISSION **Say three kind things about a friend.**



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Day 7: Mitten Match

Draw a line from each mitten to the hat with the same pattern.

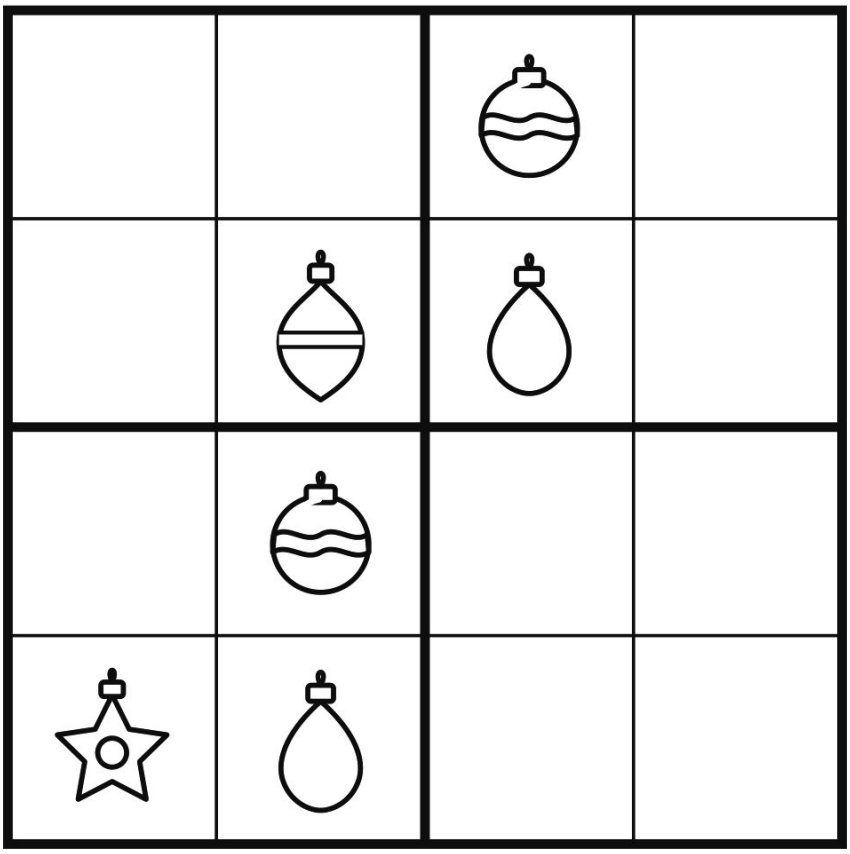


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Day 8: Ornament Sudoku

Draw the missing ornaments so every row, column and box has one of each.

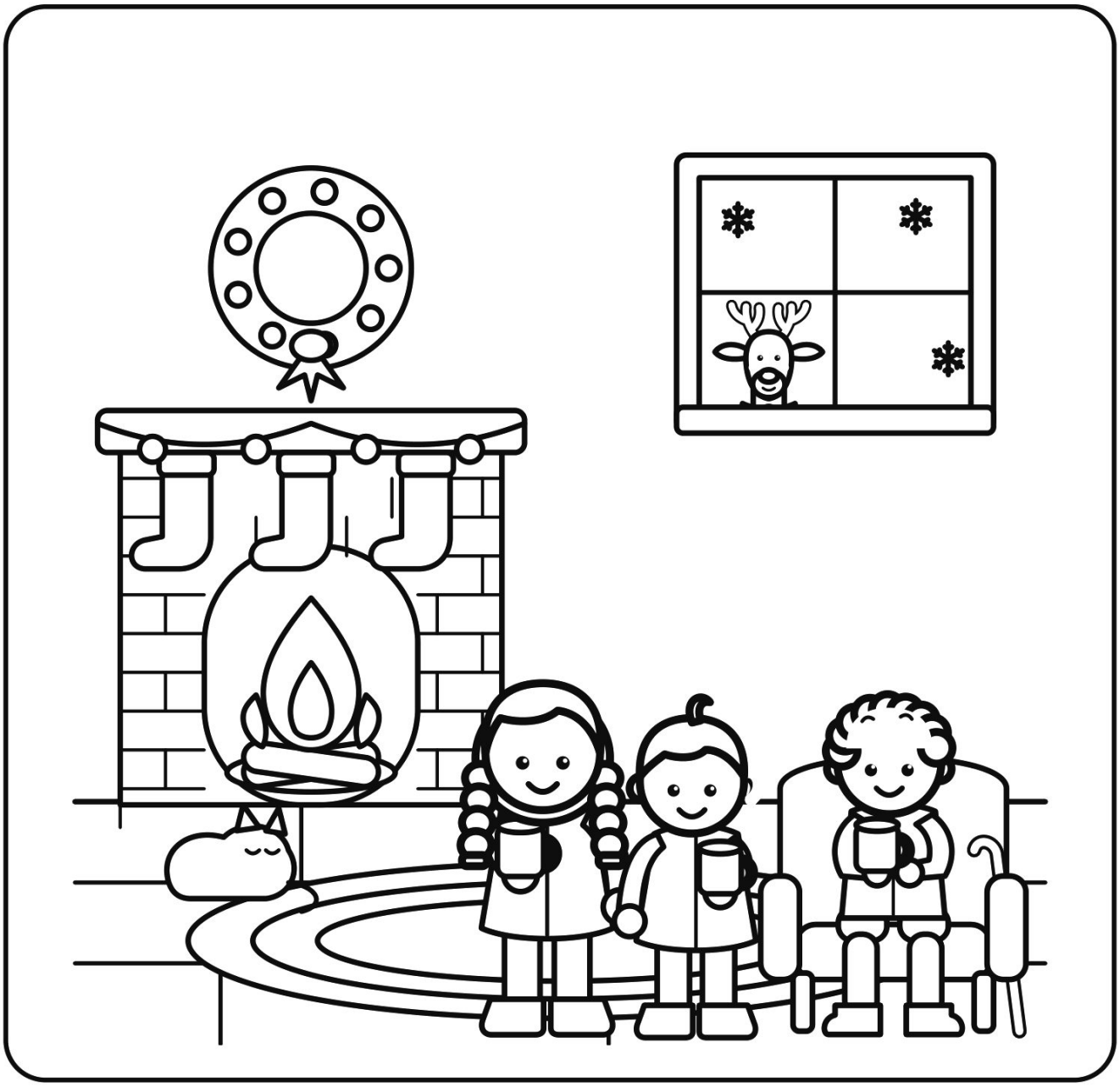
KINDNESS MISSION **Read or tell a story to someone younger.**



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Day 8: Cocoa by the Fire

Nana Rose made cocoa for everyone. Who is peeking in the window?



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Day 9: Forest Words

Find each forest word. Words go across, down or slanting down.

KINDNESS MISSION **Help a grown-up put away the laundry or the groceries.**

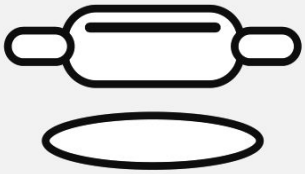
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- ☐ PINE
- ☐ BRANCH
- ☐ FOX
- ☐ CONE
- ☐ TRUNK
- ☐ TRACKS
- ☐ NEEDLE
- ☐ OWL

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Day 9: Bake Gingerbread with a Grown-Up

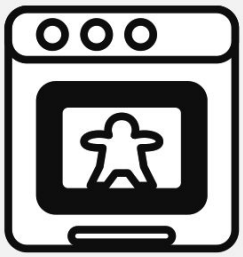
What happens first? Write 1, 2, 3 and 4 in the boxes. A grown-up always uses the oven.



Roll the dough out flat.



Mix the dough in a big bowl.



A grown-up bakes them in the oven.



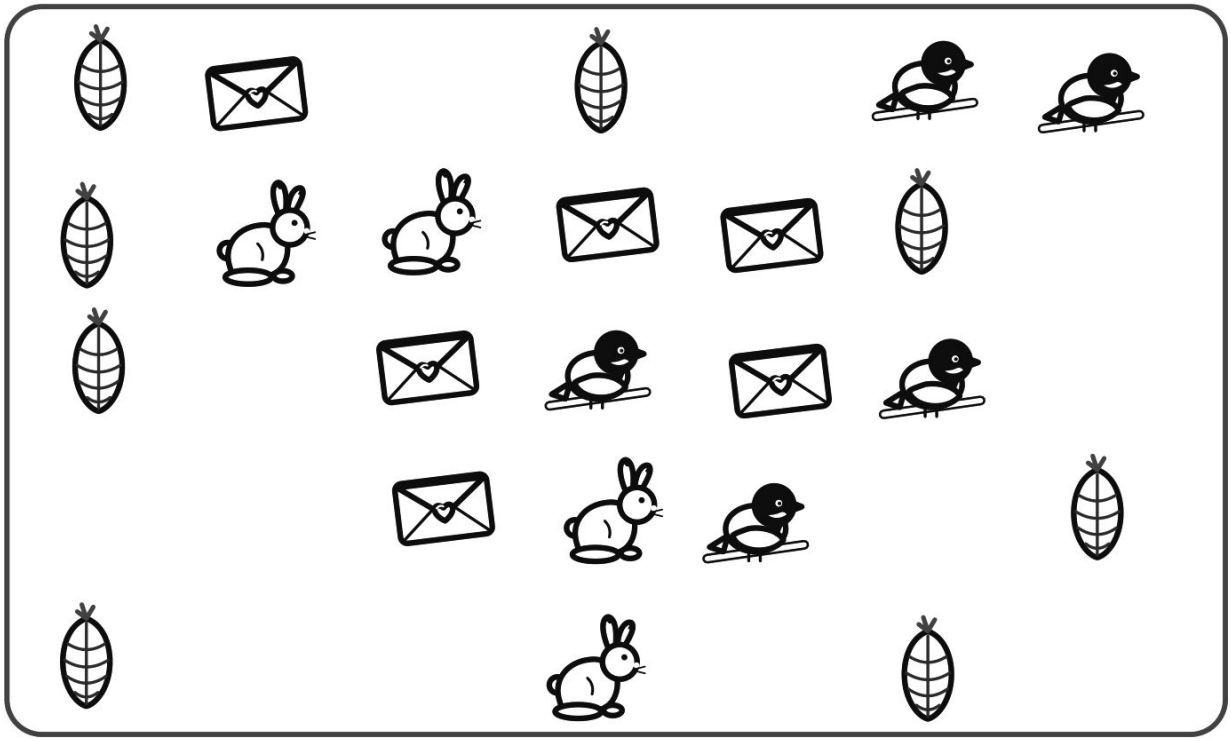
Cut out gingerbread shapes.

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Day 10: Letters in the Branches

Count the letters, pinecones, chickadees and snowshoe hares. Write each number.

KINDNESS MISSION **Make a paper snowflake to hang in a window.**



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Day 10: Amazing Evergreens

Evergreen trees stay green all winter. Read how they do it!



Water savers

Evergreen needles are small and compact, so they lose less water in cold, dry, windy weather.



Bend, don't break

Needles help keep snow from piling up, and evergreen branches can bend under snow instead of snapping.



Old needles fall

Evergreens do lose needles. Older inner needles turn yellow and fall while newer ones stay green.



1923
A famous tree

President Calvin Coolidge lit the first National Christmas Tree, a 48-foot balsam fir from Vermont.

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Day 11: Math Code

Solve each sum. Then find that number in the key to get the letter.

KINDNESS MISSION **Ask someone about their favorite winter memory.**

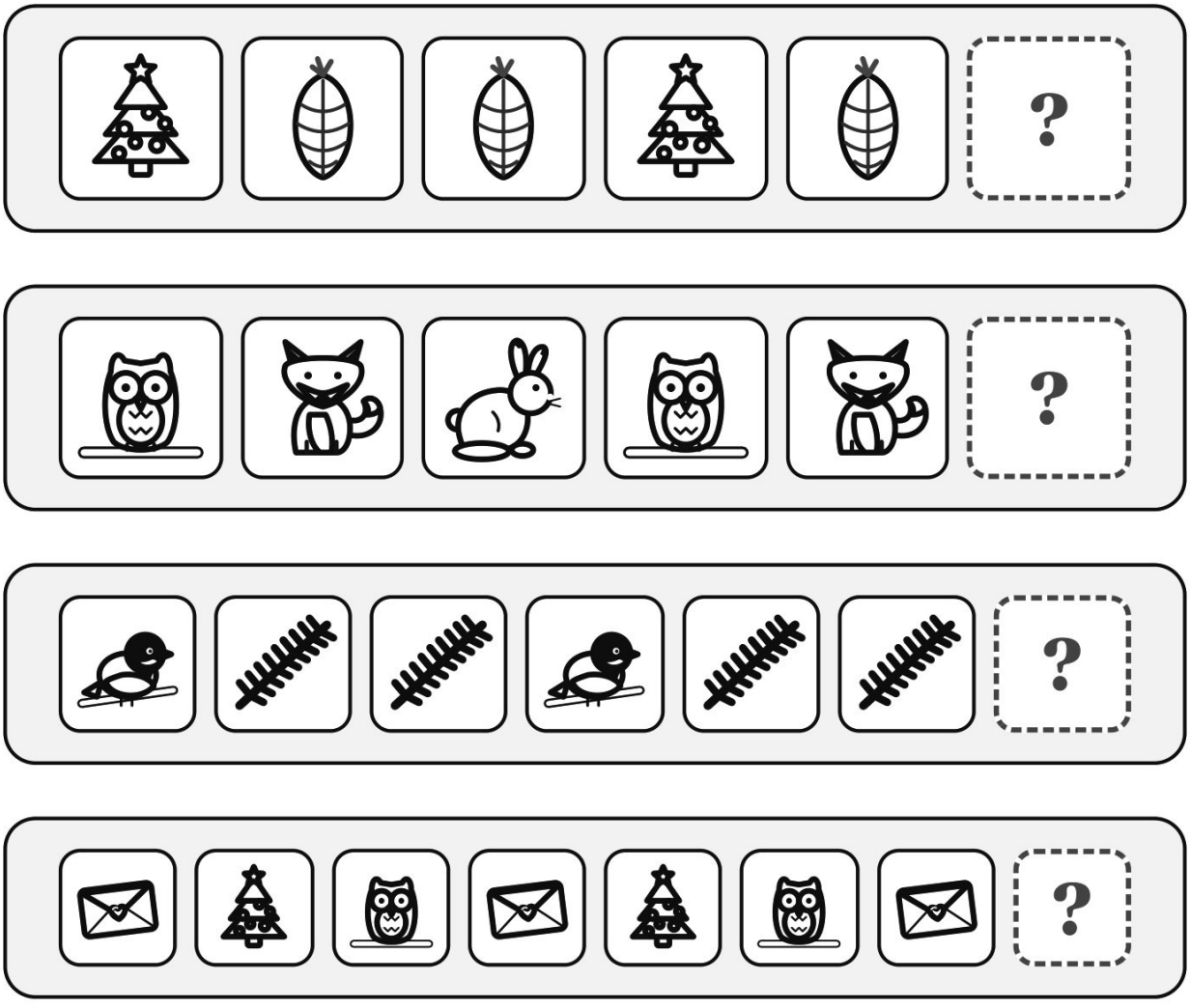
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Day 11: Forest Patterns

What comes next? Draw the missing picture at the end of each row.

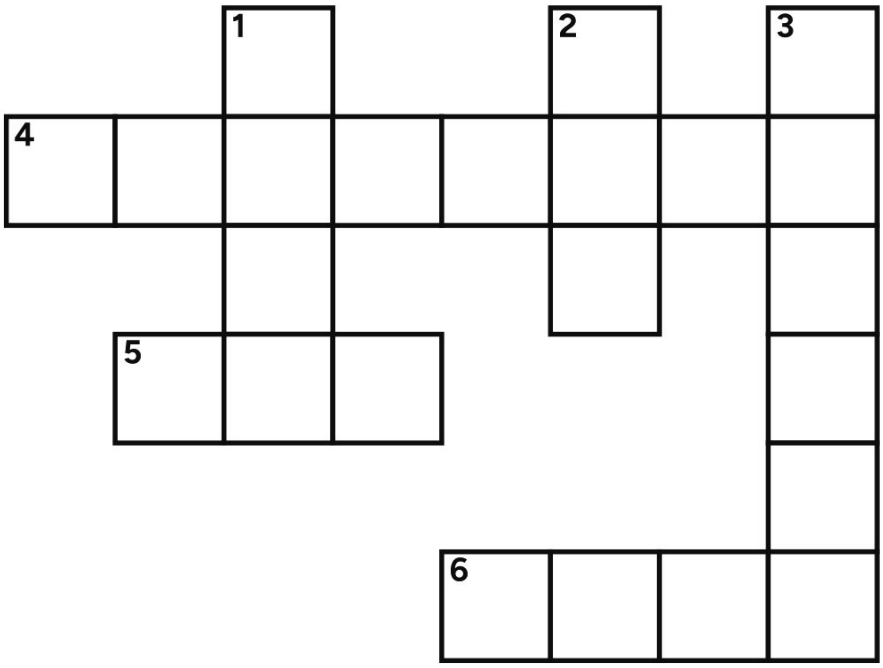


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Day 12: Forest Picture Crossword

Week challenge! Look at each picture clue and write the word in the boxes.

KINDNESS MISSION **With a grown-up, choose a toy or book to give away.**



Across

4 It grows on an evergreen tree (8)

5 A bird with big round eyes (3)

6 It has very big back feet (4)

Down

1 Cold, white and falling (4)

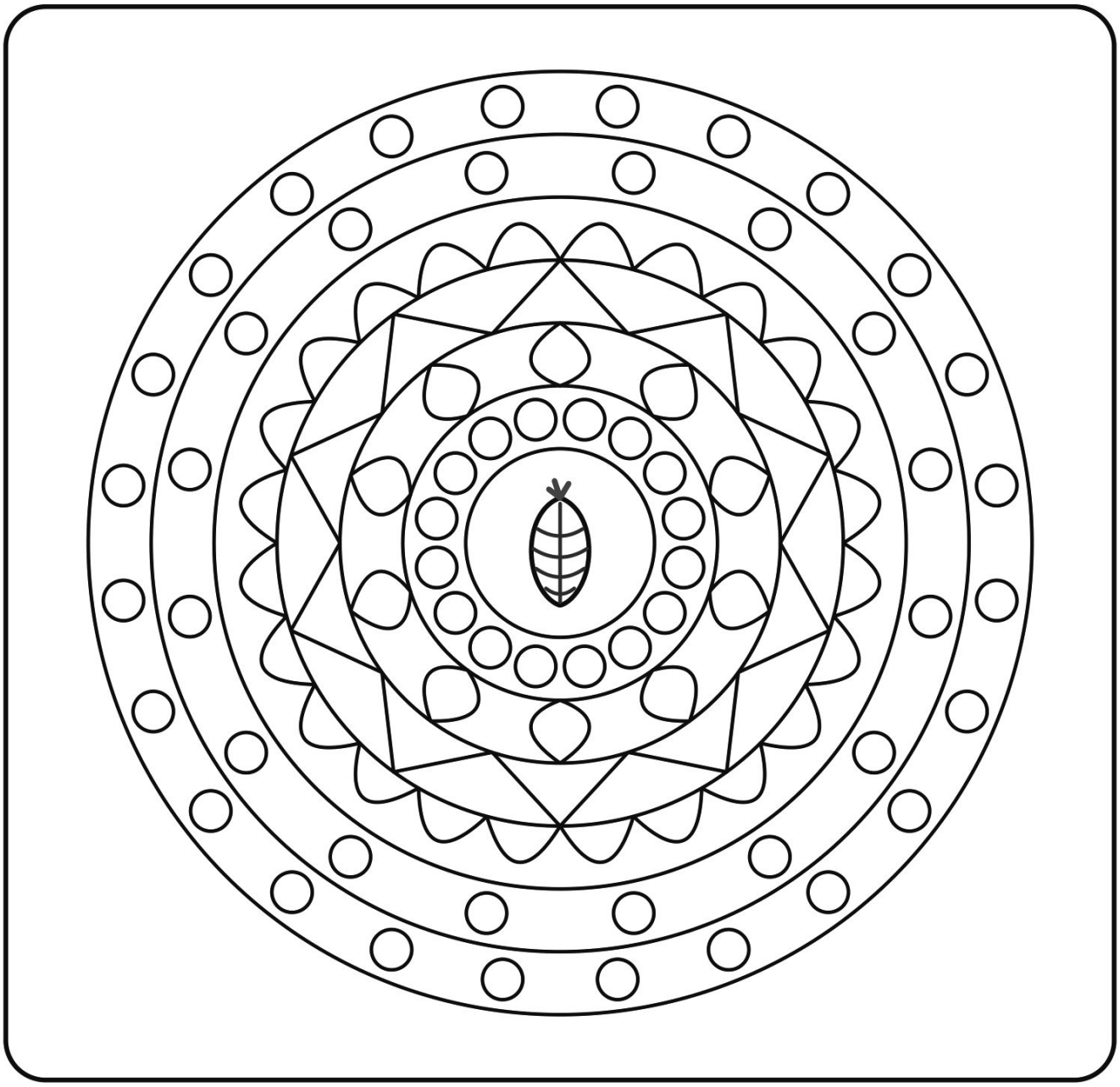
2 A forest animal with a bushy tail (3)

3 A thin evergreen leaf (6)

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Day 12: Pinecone Mandala

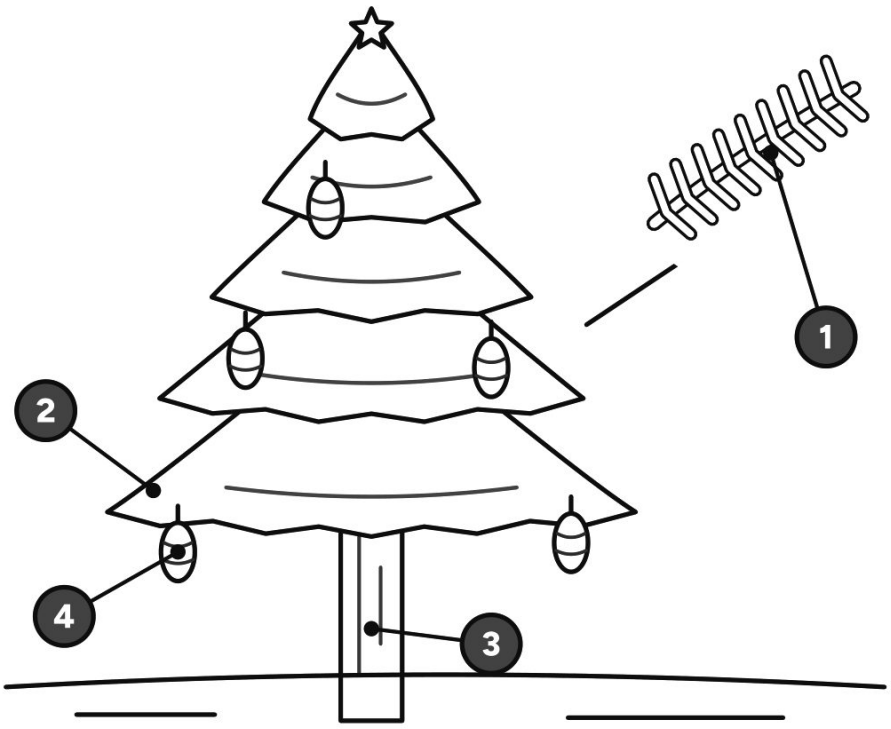
Take a calm breath and color the pattern any way you like.



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Workshop Lab: Parts of an Evergreen Tree

Evergreen branches can bend under snow instead of snapping. Use the word bank to name each part.



Word bank branch | cone | needles | trunk

1 _____ 2 _____

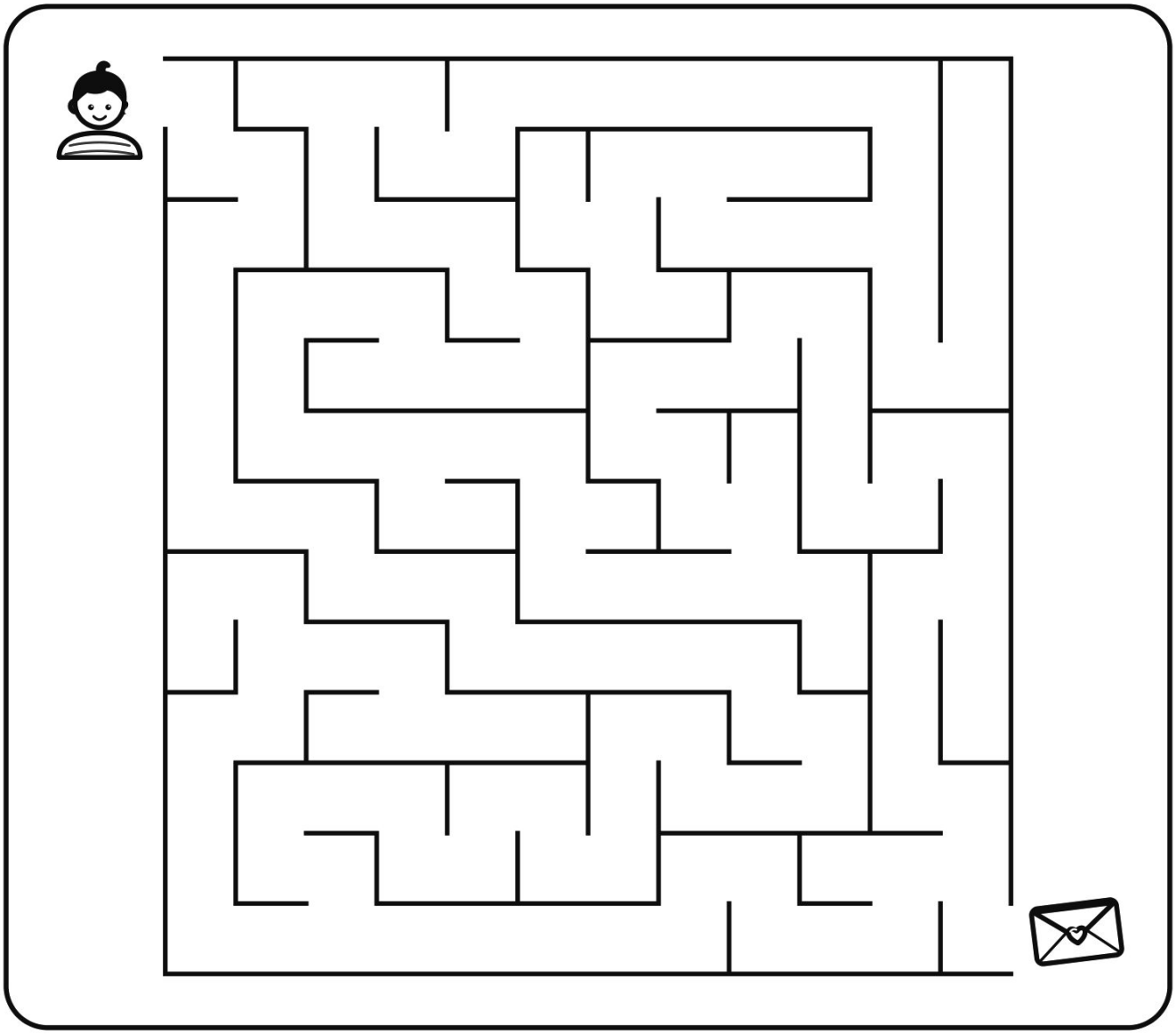
3 _____ 4 _____

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Day 13: Across Snowflake Valley

Help Kai cross the sparkly valley to the letter stuck in a snowdrift.

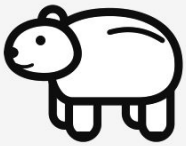
KINDNESS MISSION **Hold the door open for someone.**



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Day 13: Who Lives Where?

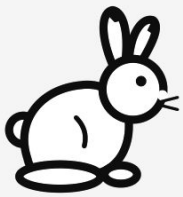
Draw a line from each animal to the place where it lives.



polar bear



emperor penguin



snowshoe hare

northern forests of North America

the Arctic, at the top of the world

Antarctica, at the bottom of the world

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Day 14: Gingerbread House

Color each square with the color for its number.

KINDNESS MISSION **Help feed a pet or water a plant.**

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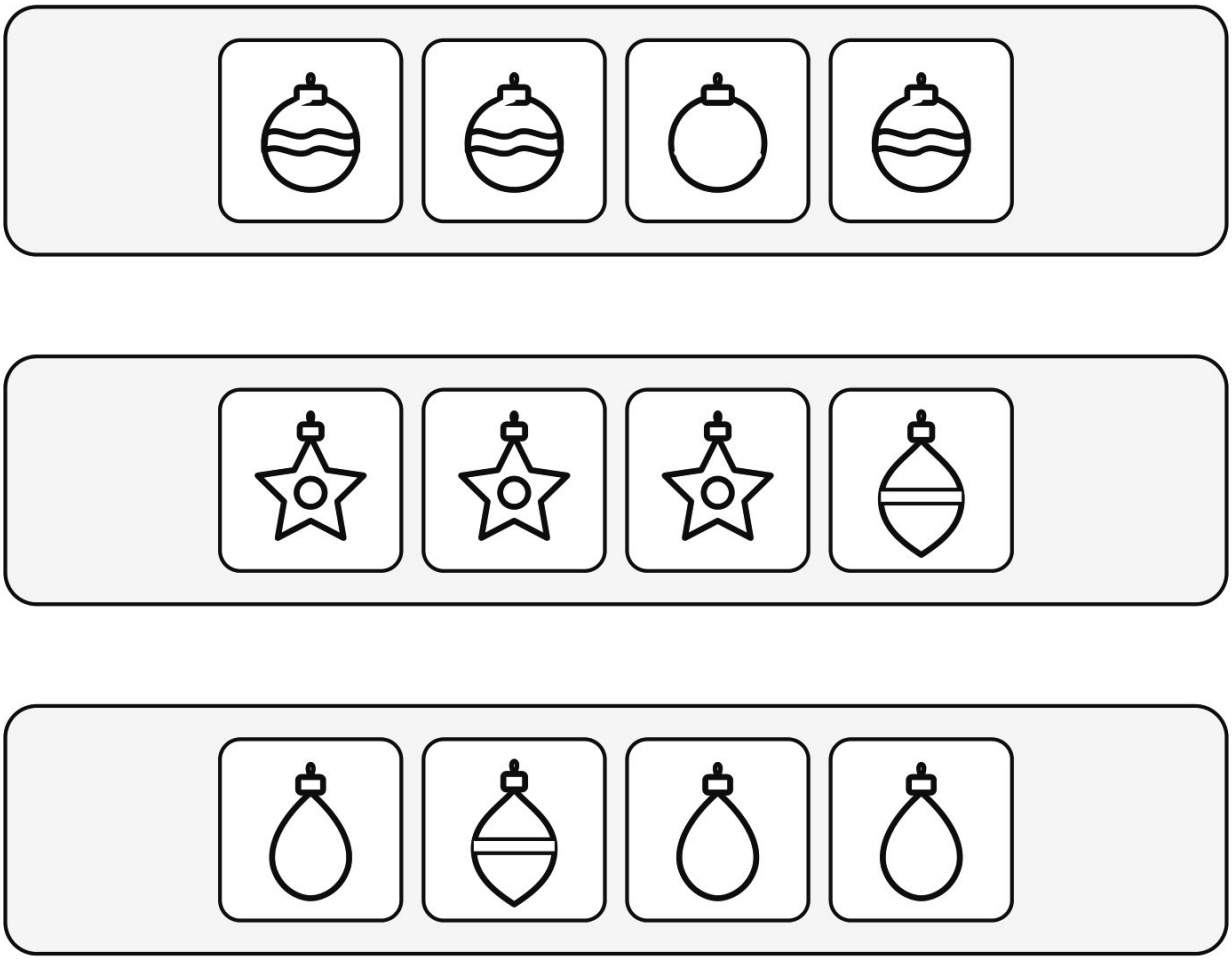
1 = Light blue **2** = Pink **3** = Brown **4** = Yellow

5 = Red **6** = Green **7** = Gray **8** = Purple

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Day 14: Odd Ornament Out

Look closely! Circle the ornament that is different in each row.



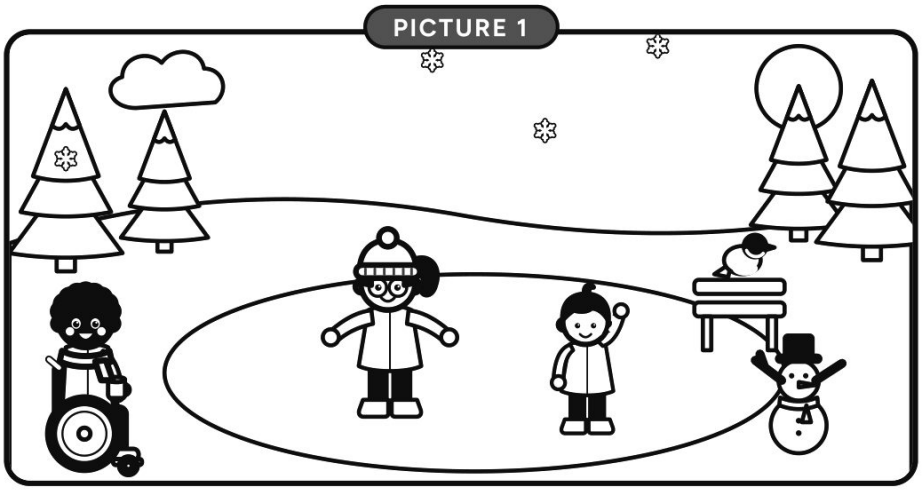
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Day 15: The Skating Pond

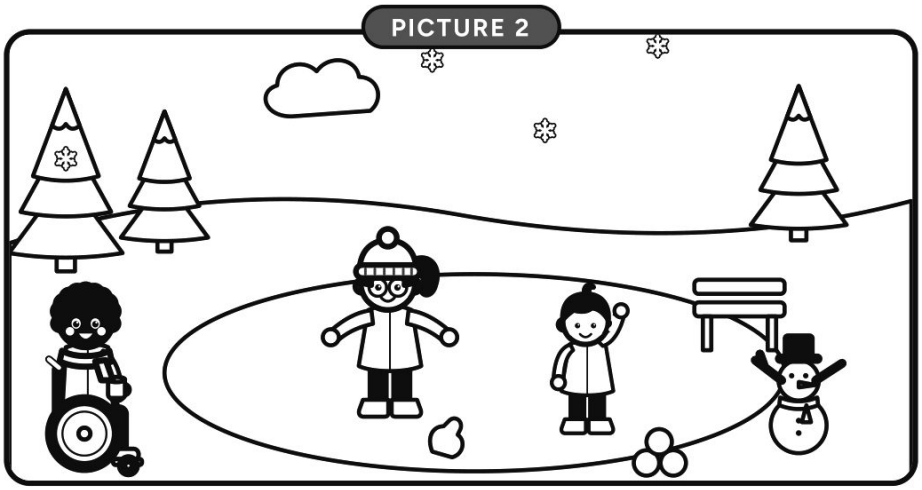
Find 7 things that are different in Picture 2 and circle them.

KINDNESS MISSION **Draw a note that says "You are great!" and give it away.**

PICTURE 1



PICTURE 2

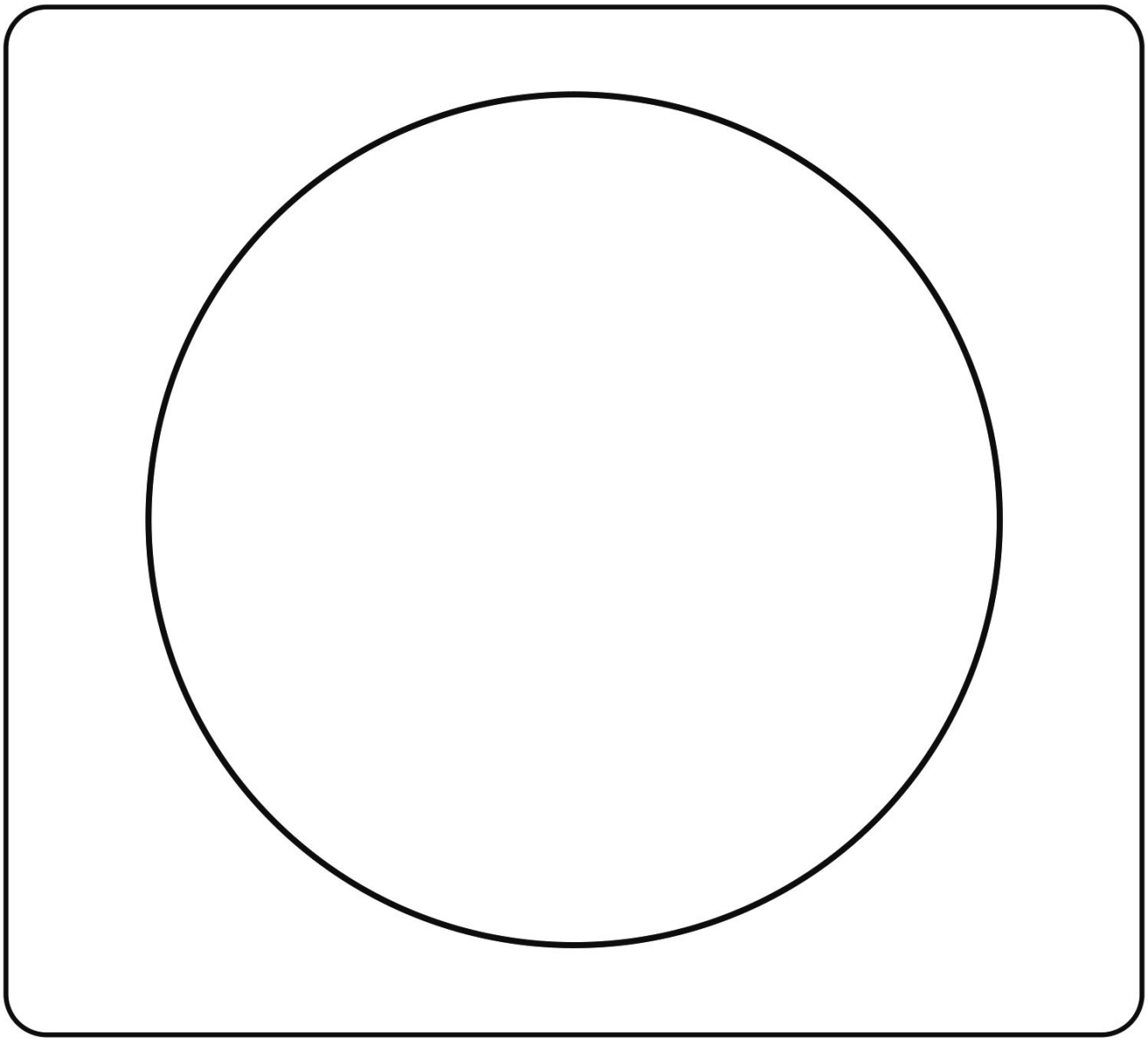


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Day 15: Draw a Snowflake with Six Arms

Snow crystals often grow six arms. Draw a snowflake with six arms!

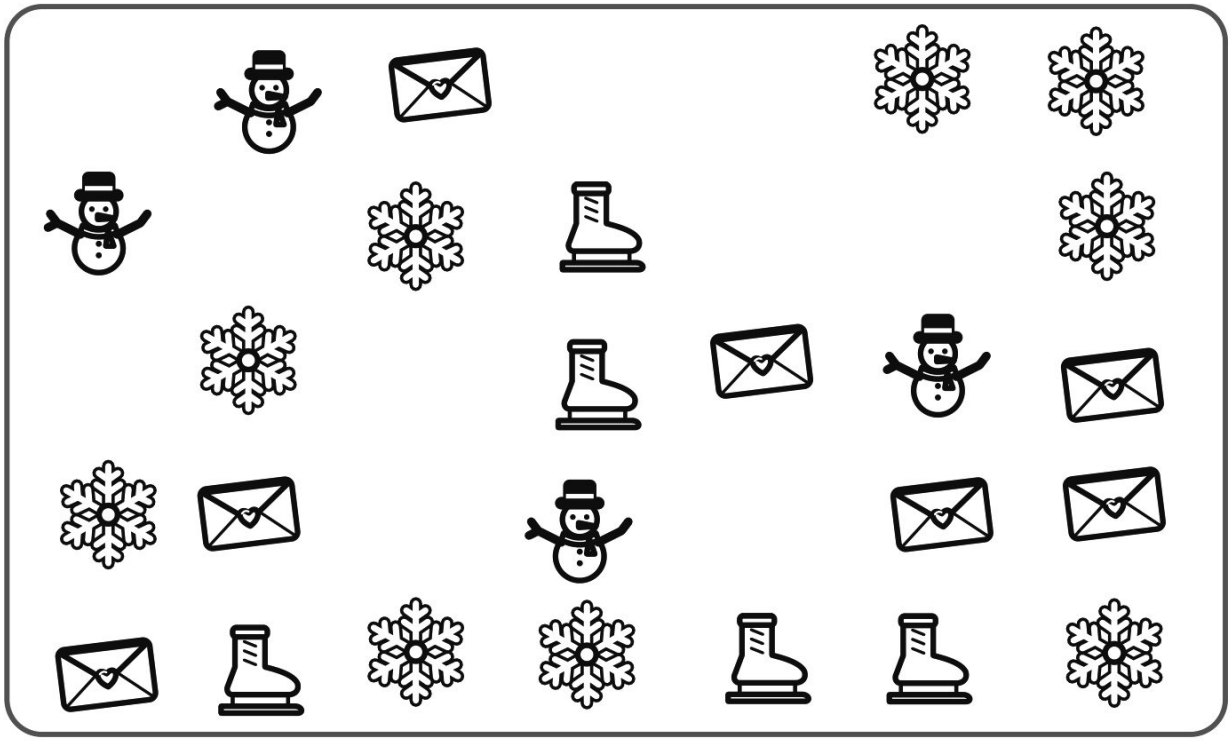


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Day 16: Frozen Letters

Count the letters, snowflakes, skates and snowmen. Write each number.

KINDNESS MISSION **Play a game and let someone else choose it.**





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Day 16: Snow Quiz

Read each question and circle the right answer.



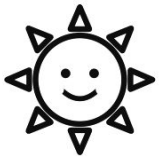
1 **Snow crystals often grow how many arms?**

(A) 4 (B) 6 (C) 8



2 **Will you ever find two snowflakes that are truly the same?**

(A) Yes, every day (B) No, scientists say you never will



3 **Why does snow look white?**

(A) It reflects most of the sunlight (B) It is very cold

(C) The clouds are white

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Day 17: Snowflake Words

Find each snowy word. Words go across, down or slanting down.

KINDNESS MISSION With a grown-up, call or video-chat someone you miss.

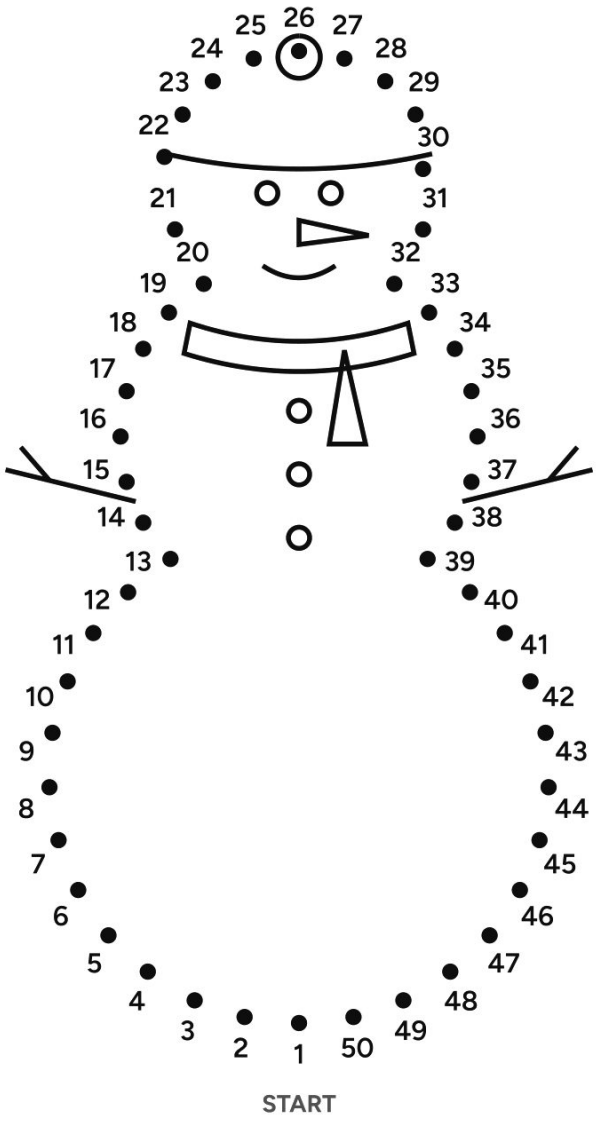
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- ☐ SNOWFLAKE
- ☐ CRYSTAL
- ☐ CLOUD
- ☐ FROST
- ☐ ICE
- ☐ SKATE
- ☐ POND
- ☐ COLD
- ☐ VALLEY

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Day 17: What Did the Kids Build?

Connect the dots from 1 to 50. Finish by joining the last dot back to 1.



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Day 18: The Frozen Note

Week challenge! A note was frozen in the pond. Use the code key to read where the last letters are.

KINDNESS MISSION **Thank the person who made your dinner.**

A 1	B 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	H 8	I 9
J 10	K 11	L 12	M 13	N 14	O 15	P 16	Q 17	R 18
S 19	T 20	U 21	V 22	W 23	X 24	Y 25	Z 26	

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18	15	15	6		20	15		16	19																	

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Day 18: Snow Day on Snowberry Lane

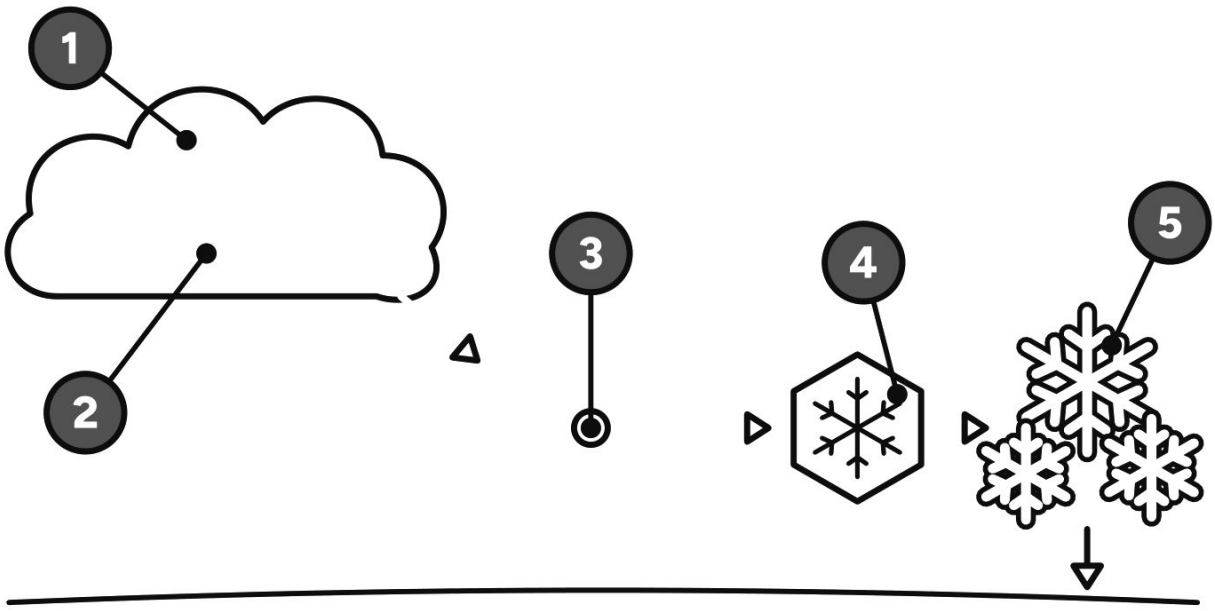
Zara, Ivy, Theo and Mila built a snowman. Color their snow day!



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Workshop Lab: How a Snowflake Grows

Water vapor in a cloud turns to ice on a tiny speck and grows into a crystal. Name each part!



Word bank cloud | ice crystal | snowflake | tiny speck | water vapor

1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

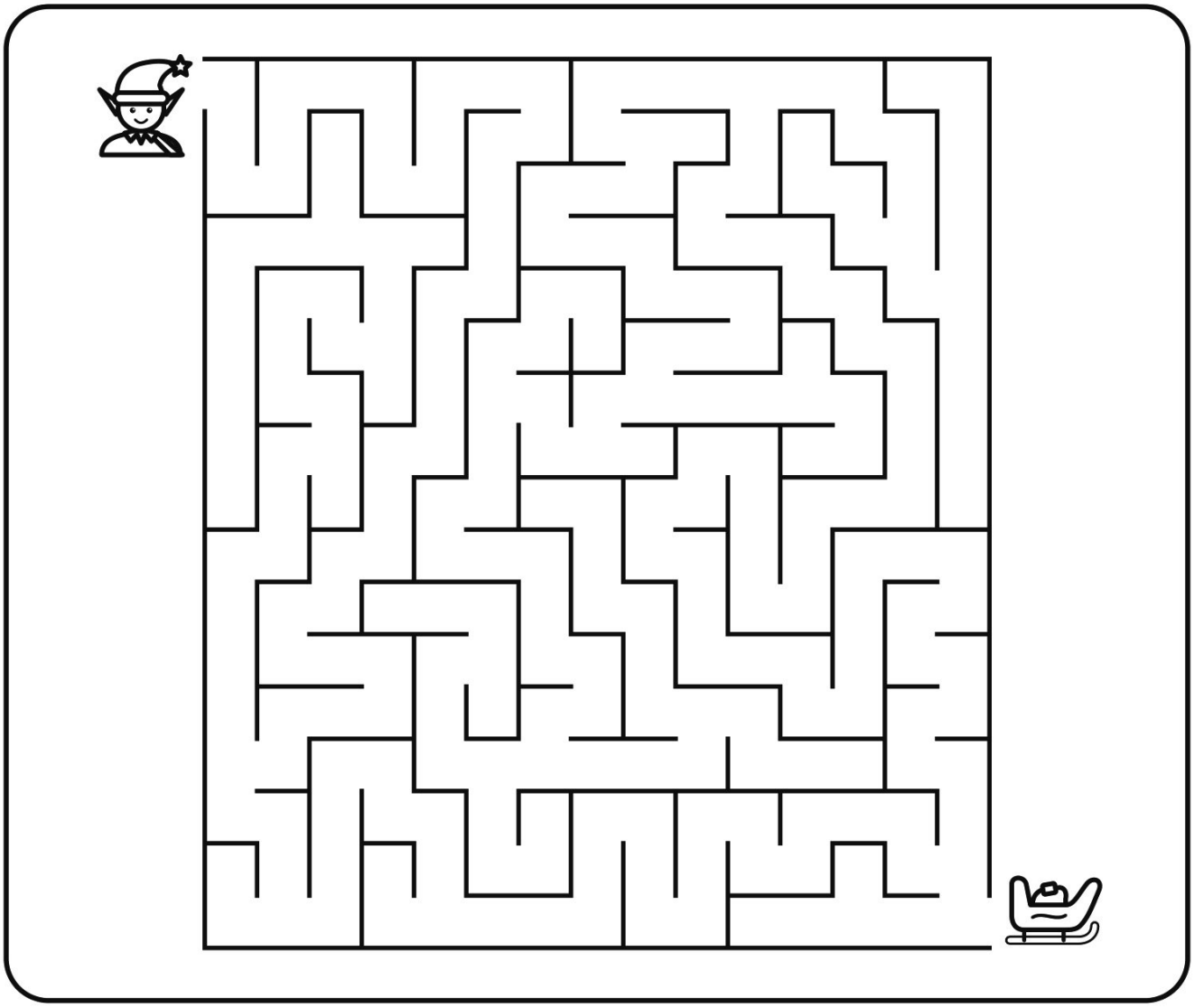
4 _____ 5 _____

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Day 19: Over the Rooftops

This is the biggest maze yet! Help Pip carry the letters over the rooftops to the sleigh.

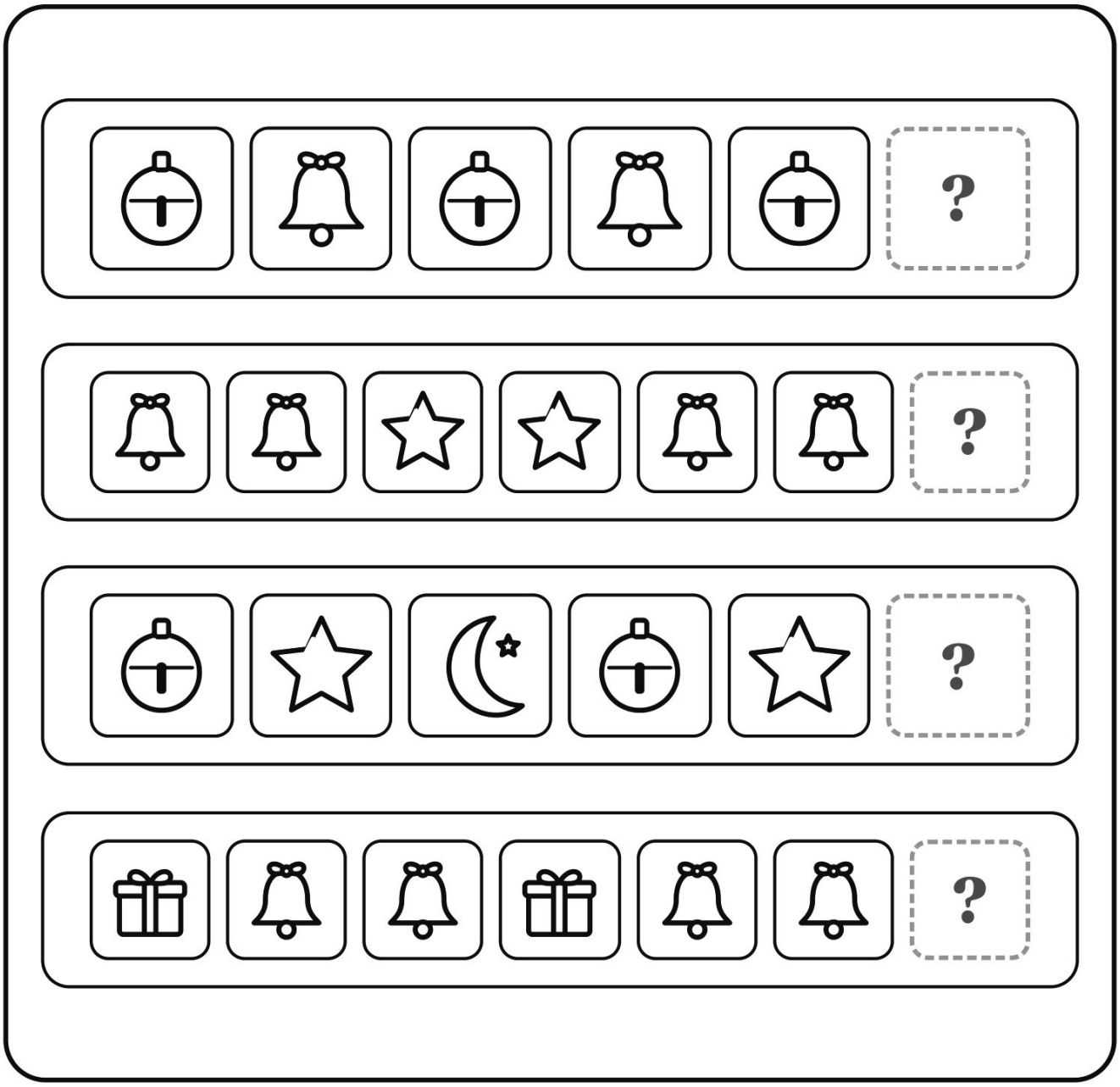
KINDNESS MISSION Make a hello card for someone who lives alone.



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Day 19: Sleigh Bell Patterns

What comes next? Draw the missing picture at the end of each row.

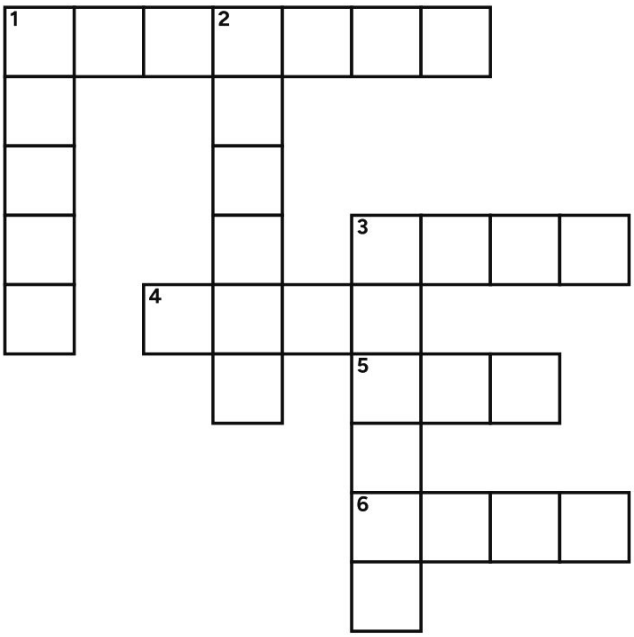


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Day 20: Holiday Crossword

Read each clue and write one letter in each box.

KINDNESS MISSION **Help make a snack for your family (no stove).**



Across

1. Smoke goes up it, on the roof (7)
3. It twinkles in the night sky (4)
4. It rings: ding, dong! (4)
5. Pip is one (3)
6. A present wrapped with a bow (4)

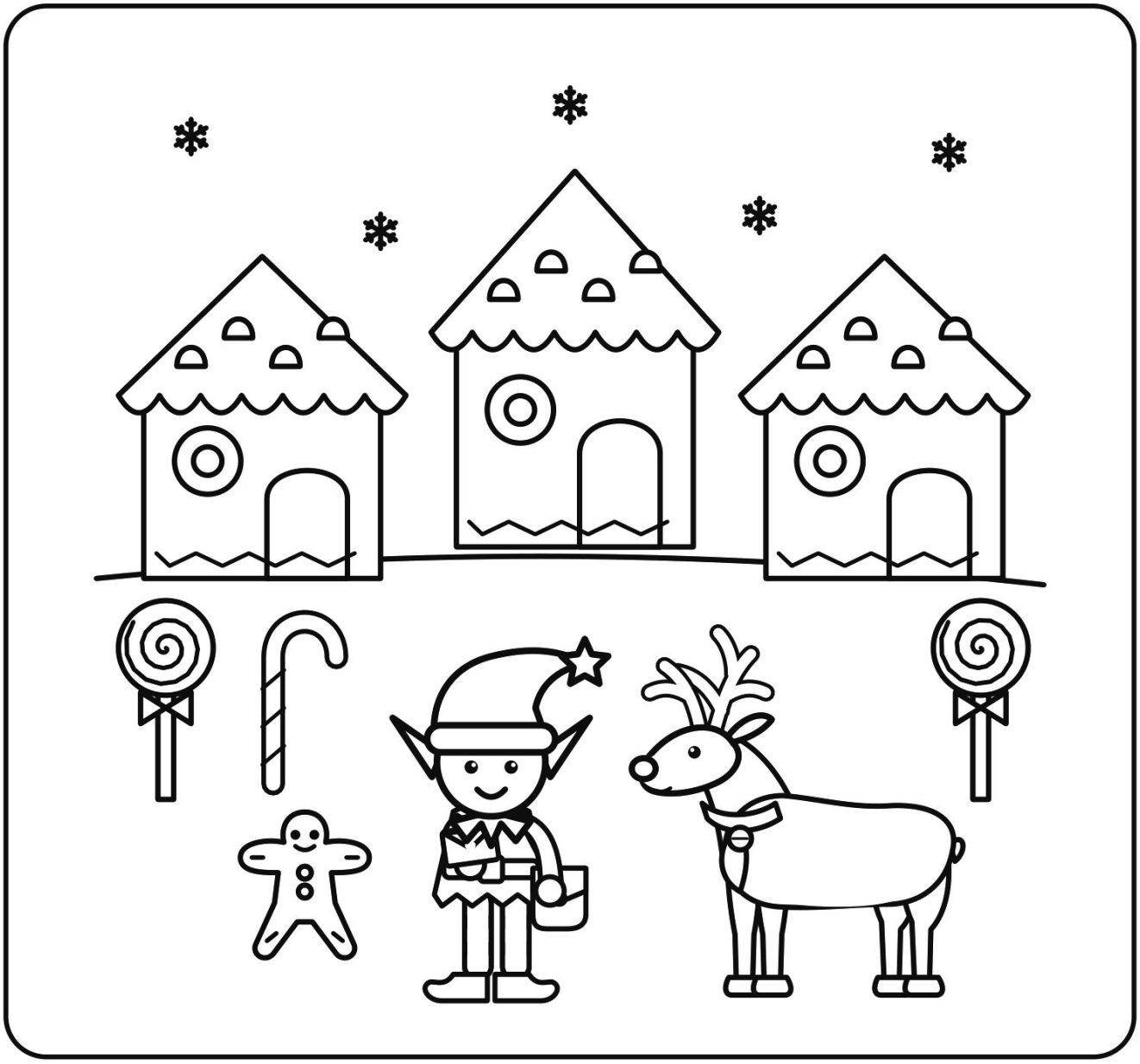
Down

1. A warm chocolate drink (5)
2. It keeps your hand warm (6)
3. Santa rides in it (6)

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Day 20: Gingerbread Town

Pip and Juniper are delivering a letter in Gingerbread Town. Color it any way you like!

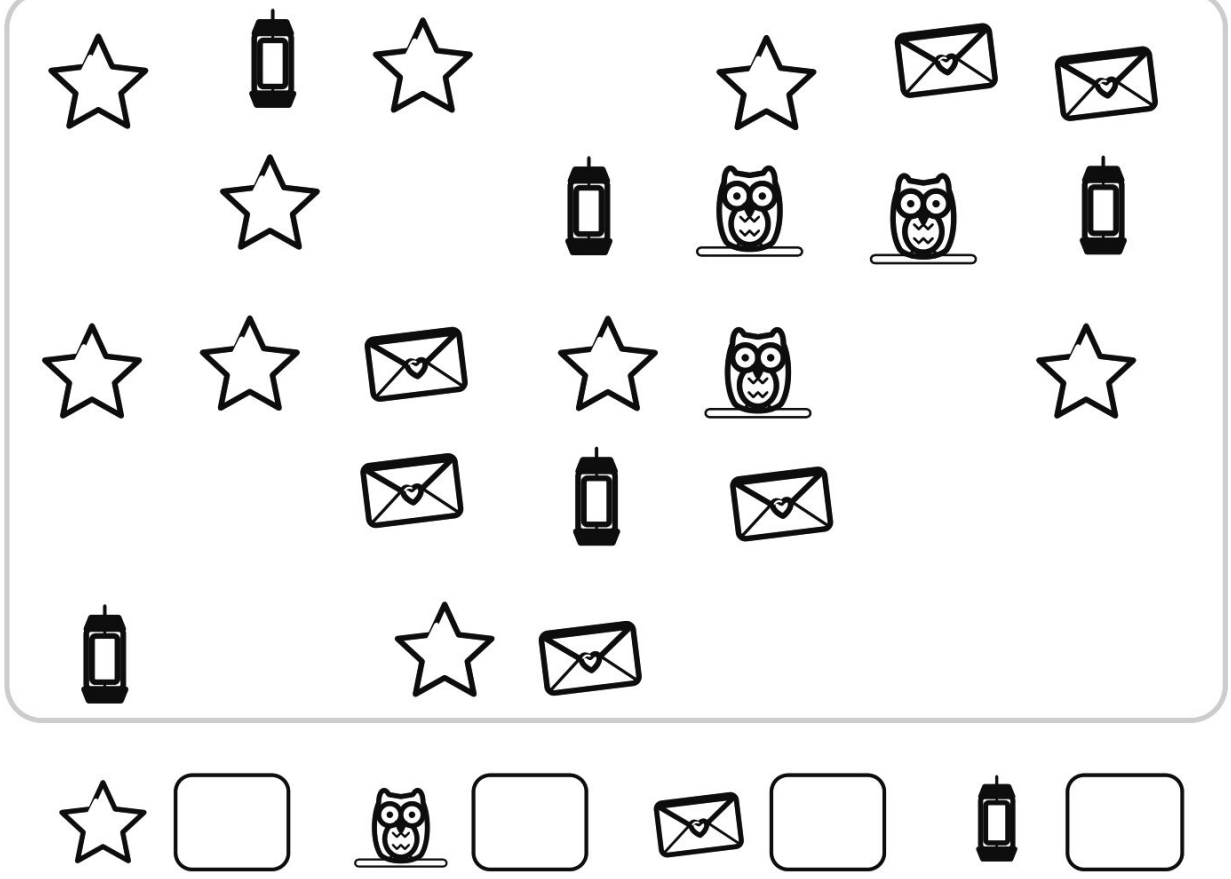


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Day 21: The Longest Night

Around now, the northern half of the world has its longest night of the year. Count the stars, owls, letters and lanterns.

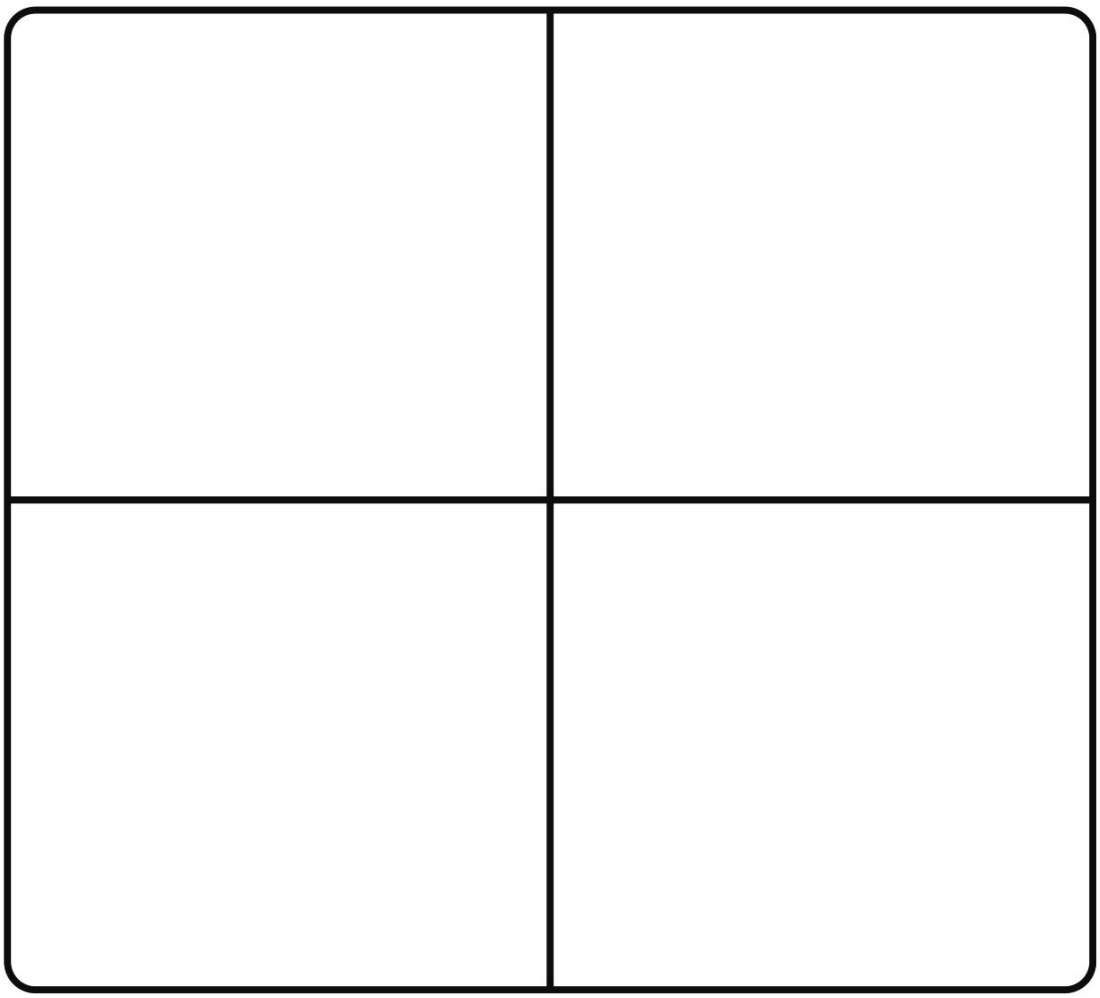
KINDNESS MISSION **On the longest night, share one happy thing from your day.**



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Day 21: Our Cozy Long Night

What does your family do together on a long winter night? Draw it in the window.

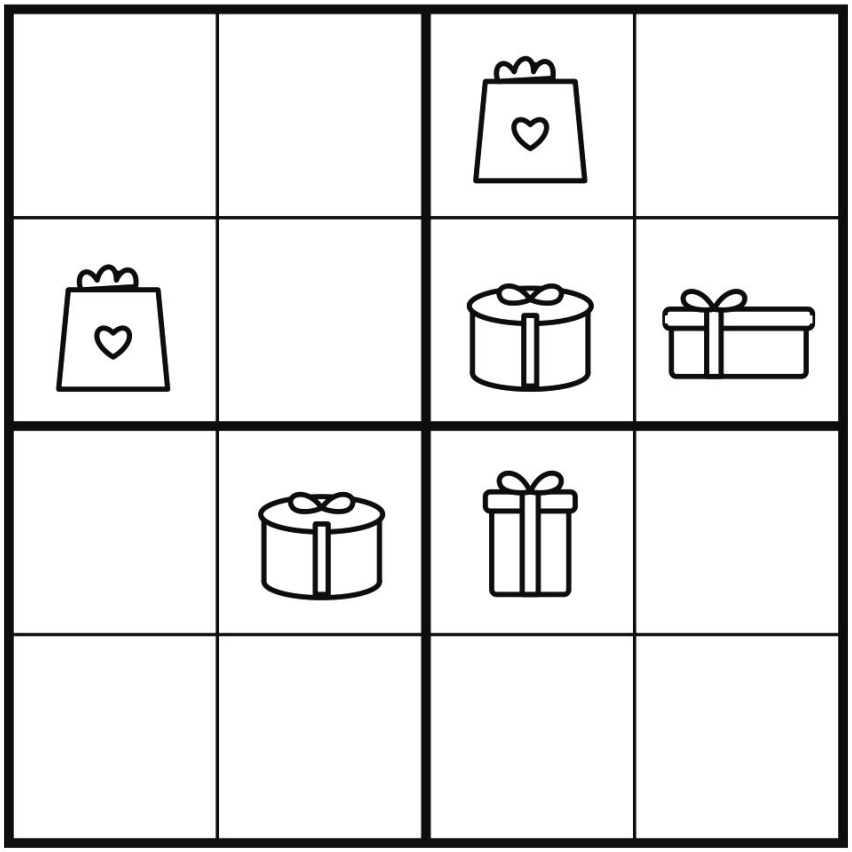


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Day 22: Gift Sudoku

Draw the missing gifts so every row, column and box has one of each.

KINDNESS MISSION **Clean up a mess, even one you did not make.**



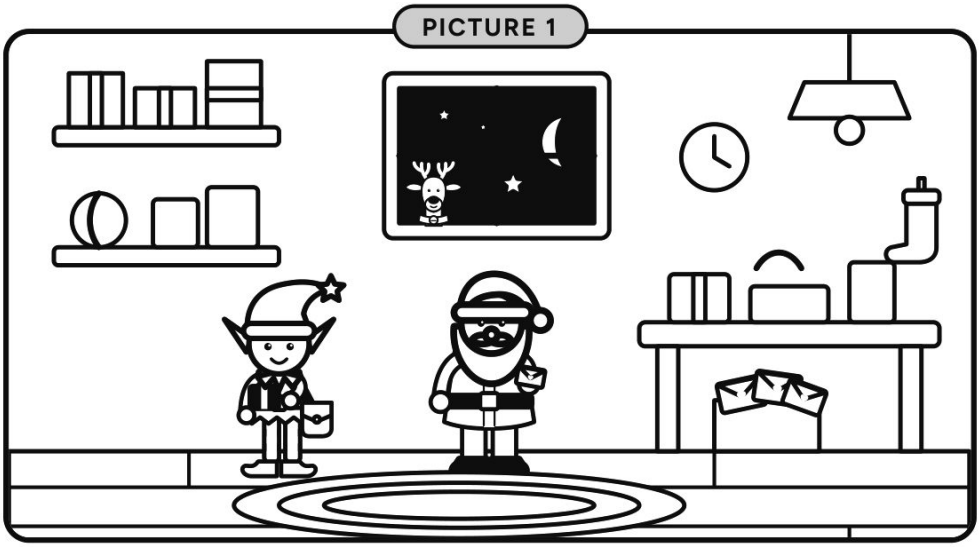


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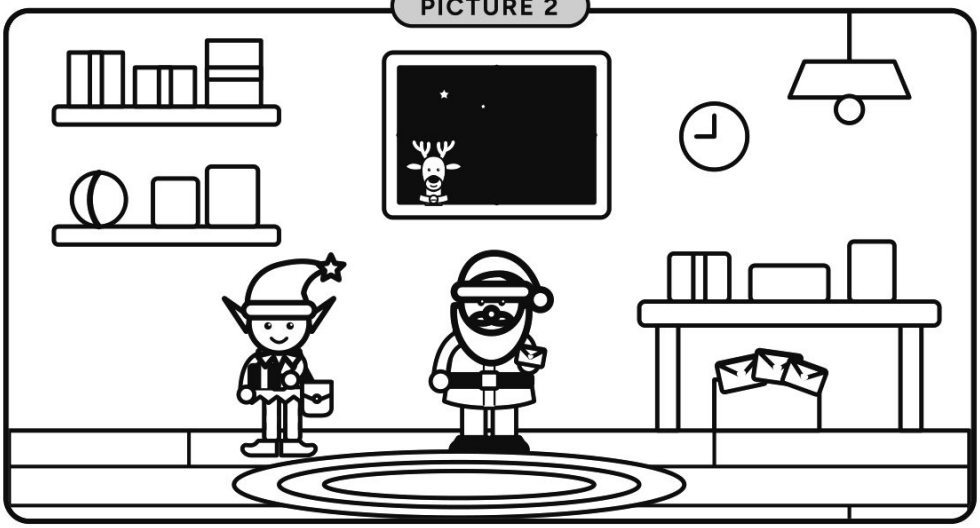
Day 22: The Workshop at Night

Find 8 things that are different in Picture 2 and circle them.

PICTURE 1



PICTURE 2



I found: ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○ ○

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Day 23: Christmas Eve Words

Find each word. Words go across, down or slanting down.

KINDNESS MISSION Make a thank-you sign for your mail carrier (a grown-up helps hang it).

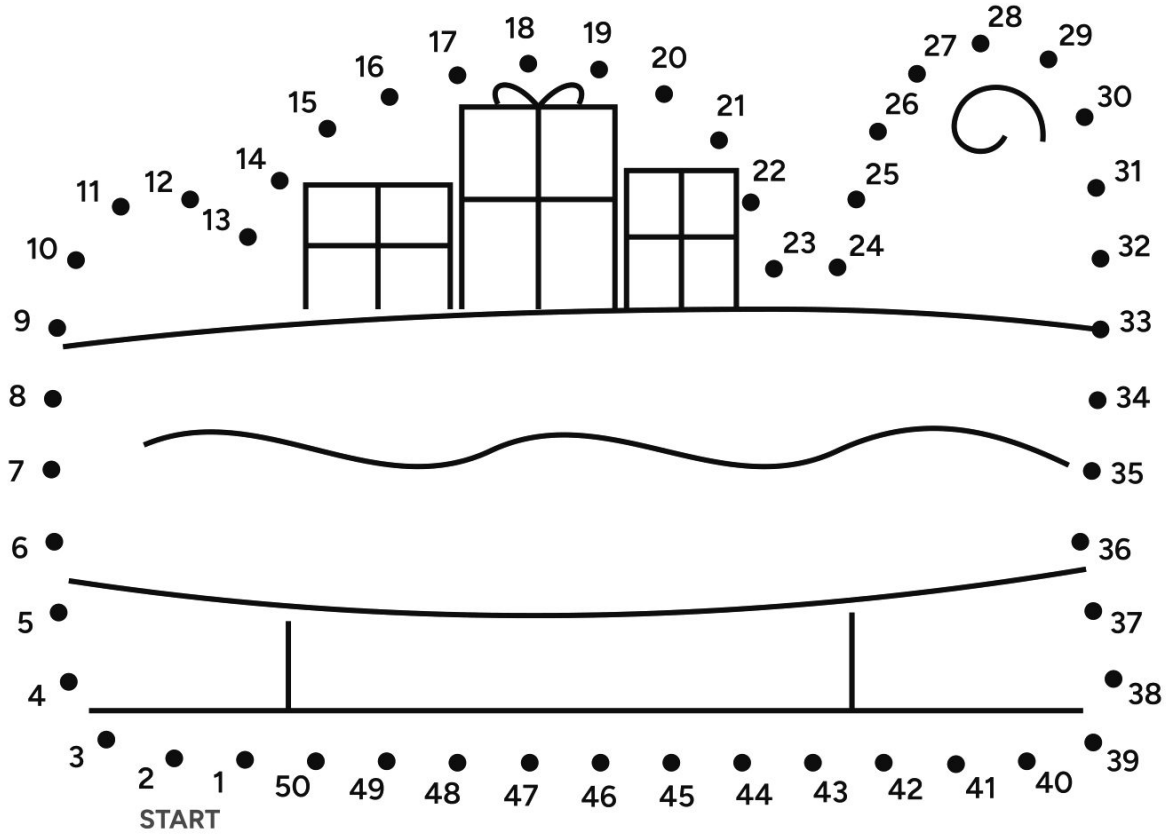
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- ☐ SLEIGH
- ☐ REINDEER
- ☐ CHIMNEY
- ☐ STOCKING
- ☐ COOKIES
- ☐ LETTERS
- ☐ ROOFTOP
- ☐ MOONLIGHT
- ☐ BELLS
- ☐ WISH

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Day 23: The Sleigh Is Ready

Connect the dots from 1 to 50 to see the sleigh, piled high with gifts.
Finish by joining the last dot back to 1.



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Day 24: The Very Last Letter

The very last letter is from Pip and Juniper to YOU! Use the code key to read it.

KINDNESS MISSION **Tell everyone at home one thing you are thankful for.**

A 1	B 2	C 3	D 4	E 5	F 6	G 7	H 8	I 9
J 10	K 11	L 12	M 13	N 14	O 15	P 16	Q 17	R 18
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Day 24: The Christmas Eve Star

Color each square with the color for its number.

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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1 = Dark blue **2** = Yellow **3** = Orange **4** = Green

5 = Light blue **6** = Brown **7** = Red **8** = Pink

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Workshop Lab: Countdown Review Quiz

What did you learn this month? Circle each answer.



1 **Which reindeer grow antlers?**

(A) Only boys (B) Only girls (C) Boys and girls



2 **What helps reindeer walk on ice?**

(A) Hairy hooves (B) Long tails (C) Big ears



3 **Small, compact needles help evergreens...**

(A) lose less water (B) grow apples



4 **Do evergreens ever lose needles?**

(A) No, never (B) Yes, old inner ones



5 **Snow crystals often grow how many arms?**

(A) 3 (B) 6 (C) 10

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Christmas Eve Big Search and Find

Every letter is home! Count the letters, stars, bells and gifts one last time.



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Notice, Think, Feel, Do

Make a thank-you comic! Draw one picture in each box, in order from 1 to 4.

1 Notice something good	**2 Think: who helped?**
3 Feel the happy feeling	**4 Do a thank-you**

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