

Chapter 2 Writing Prompts – The Day Christmas Disappeared

Here are some ideas you might like to consider when writing the next part of your story – you don't have to use them all!

Try and complete the challenges, depending on what you decide happens next.

Following the Glimmer

You decide to follow the strange red light that's moving between the trees. Where does it lead you?

Maybe to a hidden cave, a frozen lake, or an ancient cabin covered in snow?

Try to include:

- A setting description with sounds, sights, and feelings (e.g., crunching snow, icy wind, glowing trees).
- At least one expanded noun phrase (e.g., the lonely, snow-dusted cabin).
- A sentence starting with "Suddenly," or "Before I knew it,"

A Mysterious Encounter

In the forest, you meet someone unexpected — a lost elf, a talking reindeer, or maybe even the keeper of Christmas magic!

Try to include:

- Speech between characters (use inverted commas " ").
- A sentence describing how the character looks or acts.
- A reason why they might help or hinder your quest to save Christmas.

A Clue in the Snow

You notice something strange — a trail of shimmering footprints, a glowing symbol, or a scrap of Santa's red cloak. What could it mean?

Try to include:

- Modal verbs to indicate possibility like 'might', 'should and 'could' how will the clue help?
- Use a relative clause to develop a character or story element like this 'The little elf, who...' or 'The snow, which...'
- A short sentence to build suspense (e.g., Then the light disappeared!).