

Name _____

Cherry Carl
1404 Merritt Drive
El Cajon, California, 92020
November 3, 2005

Dear Kathi,

Your dad and I can't wait until we get to see you, Mike, and the twins for Christmas. We always have such a good time with you! We should be there from December 18th until right around New Years Day. How about that? Are those dates good for you? We'll be flying from San Diego to San Jose.

We haven't bought any presents yet! Do you have any idea what the girls would like from Santa or from Grandma and Grandpa? Has Mike mentioned any presents that he'd like to have? We're going to be looking around the stores soon, so we will need a good shopping list. How soon can you send us your family's list? Don't forget to add yourself!

Kisses and hugs to the twins from Grandpa!

Love,

Grandma Cherry

PS. Tell Mike that Grandpa's looking around for a new laptop. Does he have any good suggestions?

Can you find the special words in the story? Count the number of times that you see each special word and write it next to the word below.

from _____ good _____ any _____ how _____ around _____

Draw a picture to show how Mr. and Mrs. Carl will travel to get to Kathi's house.



Fill in the Blanks

Read each sentence below. Circle the missing word and write it in the space.

1. The letter is	_____ ----- _____ form from	Grandma Cherry to Kathi.
2. He wants	_____ ----- _____ any ask	_____ ----- _____ go good ideas for gifts.
3. They will leave San Jose	_____ ----- _____ above around	New Years Day.

Yes or No?

- | | | |
|---|-----|----|
| 1. Is Cherry Carl a grandma? | yes | no |
| 2. Is she writing to her sister? | yes | no |
| 3. Are the twins coming to Grandma's house? | yes | no |
| 4. Is Grandpa going with Grandma on the trip? | yes | no |
| 5. Are the twins girls? | yes | no |

It's a Match!

Draw a line to connect the naming part of the sentence with the action part of the sentence. Read them to yourself to make sure that they make sense. The first one is done for you.

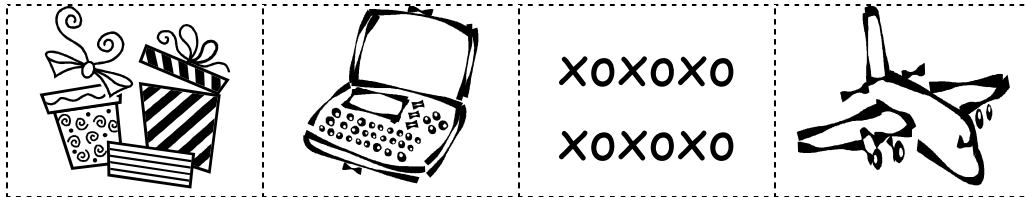
- | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Grandma | has to make a wish list. |
| She and Grandpa | wrote a letter to Kathi. |
| Kathi | have to make a list, too! |
| The twins | sends hugs and kisses to the twins! |
| Grandpa | are going to San Jose for Christmas. |

What does Grandpa want to buy?

How will the Carls get to San Jose?

What is Grandma going to buy soon?

What does Grandpa send to the girls?



Practice writing your own friendly letter to a friend or to a relative on the following page. Include the date, a greeting (who the letter is to), a nice message and a closing. Don't forget to sign your name.

