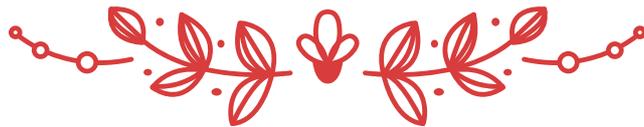




2023

# HOLIDAY ACTIVITY BOOK





# Acknowledgement of Country

**Here is the land**

(hands on ground)

**Here is the sky**

(hands above head)

**Here are friends**

(hands out wide)

**And here am I**

(hands on chest)

**We come together hand in hand**

(hold hands)

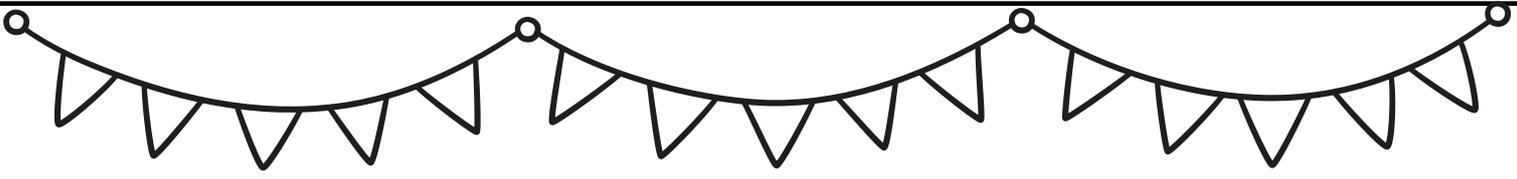
**To pay our respect**

(hand on heart)

**And acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land**

(one hand on heart, one hand on earth)

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the Queanbeyan-Palerang area and pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



# What do YOU Celebrate?

## **Omisoka**

Omisoka is Japanese New Year's Celebration. Gifts are given, and there is a feast of noddles.

## **Hanukkah**

Hanukkah is a Jewish holiday known as "Festival of Lights". It goes for 8 days and nights!

## **Diwali**

Diwali is India's "Festival of Light". It's celebrated over five days. Candles are lit and there are often fireworks!

## **Christmas**

Christmas is celebrated on December 25th! Presents are often exchanged, and families decorate a tree.

## **Eid ul-Fitr**

Eid ul-Fitr is celebrated in many countries at the end of Ramadan. It is a celebration of Peace and Forgiveness

## **Las Posadas**

Over 9 nights in Mexico, children, musicians, and adults go door to door, singing carols between December 16th and 24th.

## **Kwanzaa**

Kwanzaa is an African American and Pan-African holiday celebrating family, and culture.

## **Lunar New Year**

In early January, Korea, Vietnam, and China celebrate new year.

## **What do you Celebrate?**

# Word Search

J	K	L	U	W	Z	G	Y	O	W
C	P	F	O	G	I	V	I	N	G
F	E	D	Z	V	I	U	J	H	P
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LOVE

GIVING

JOYFUL

CELEBRATE

FUN

GAMES

FAMILY

FRIENDS

PARTY

PEACE

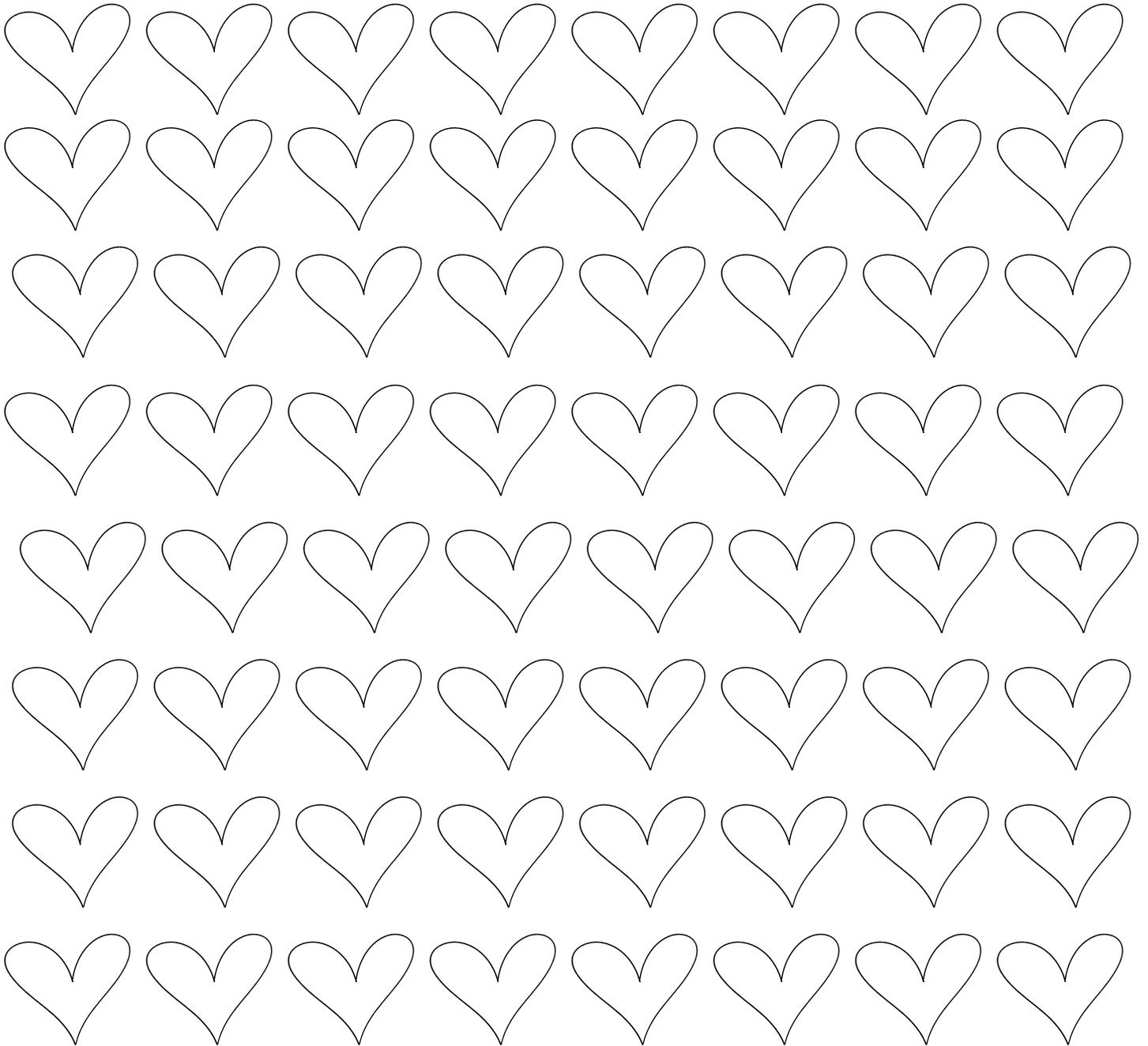
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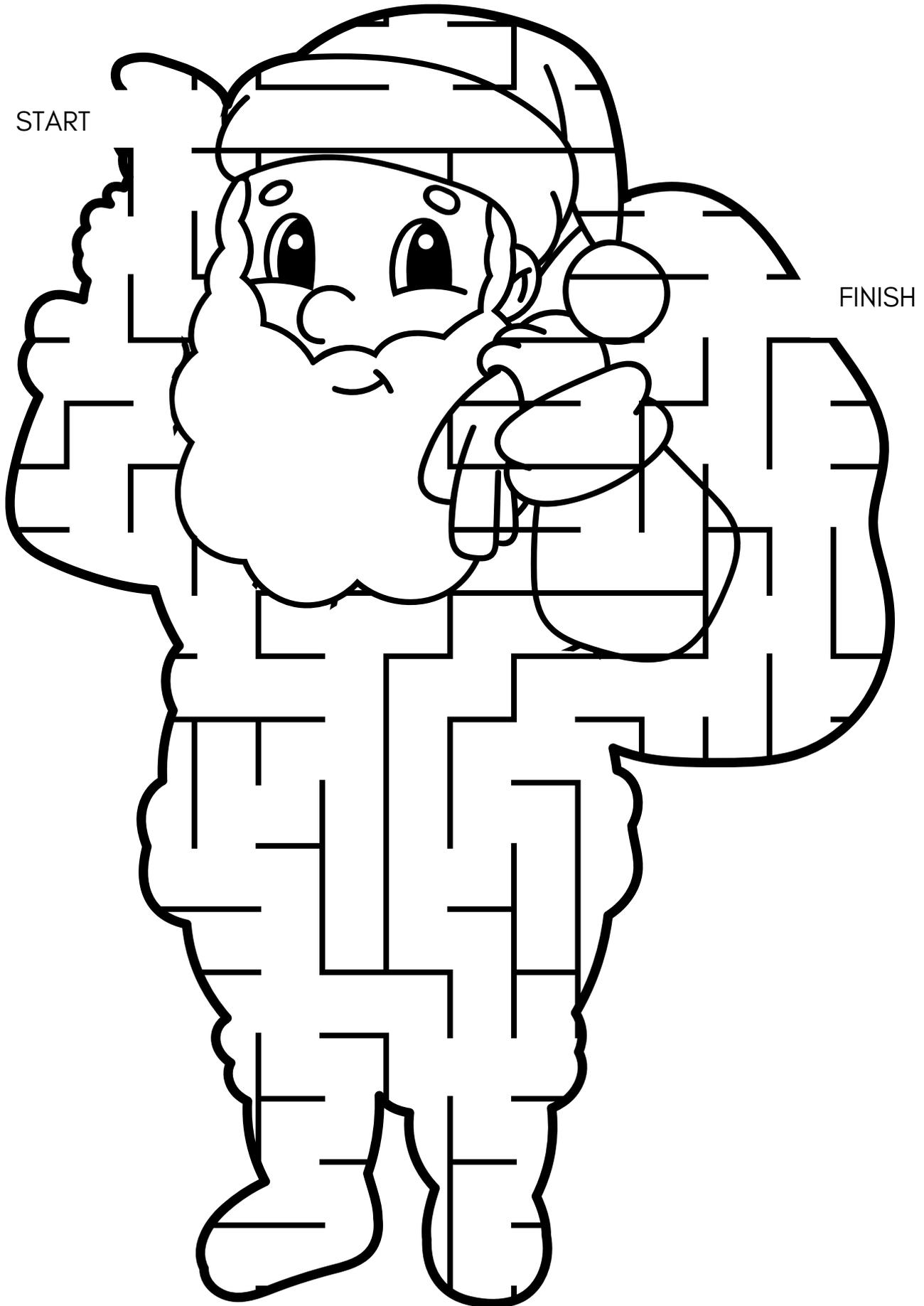


# Ramadan Good Deeds Challenge

Colour a heart when you do something kind. Fill out the poster.



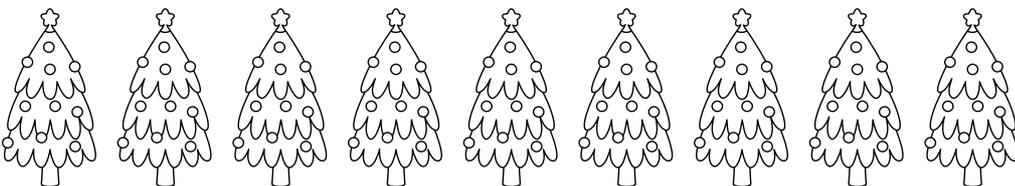
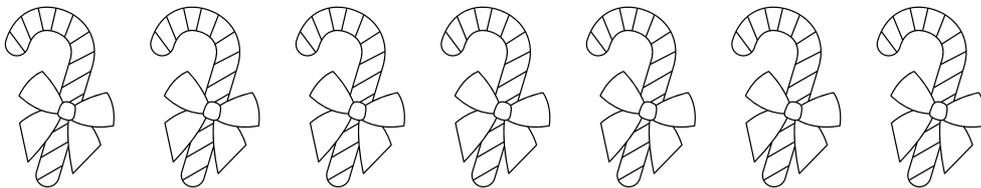
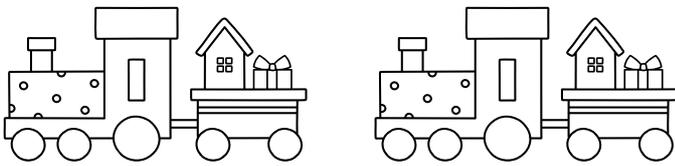
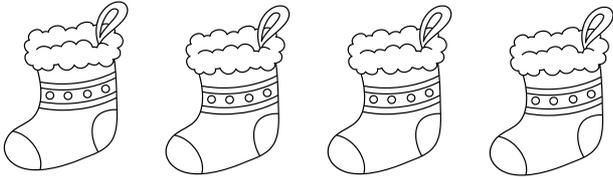
# Santa Claus Maze



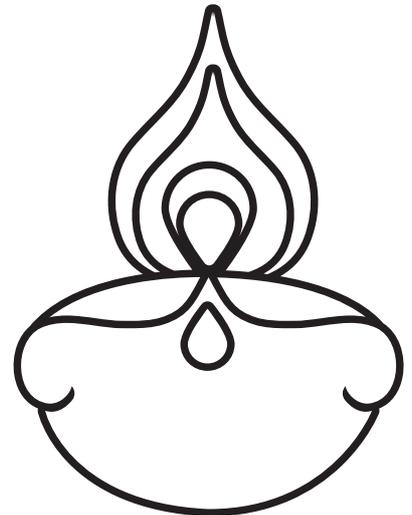
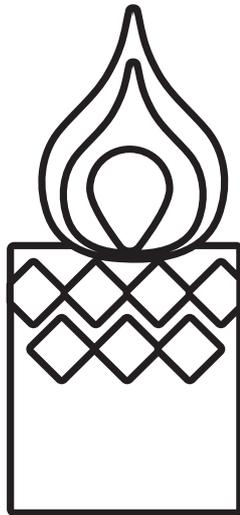
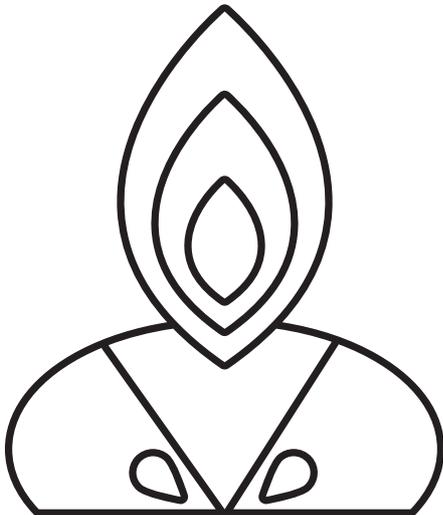
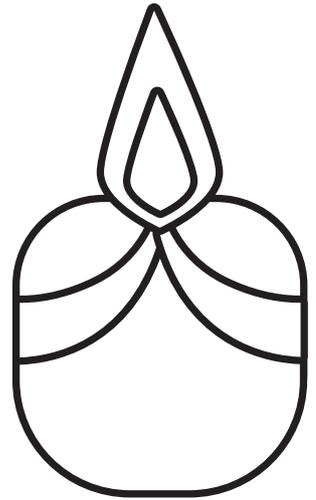
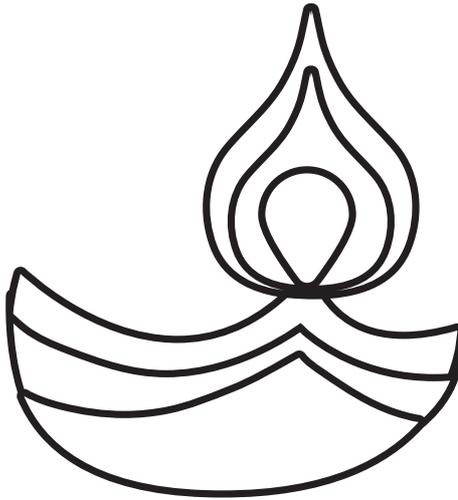
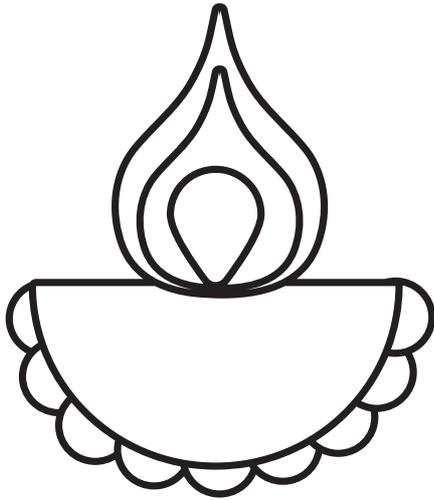
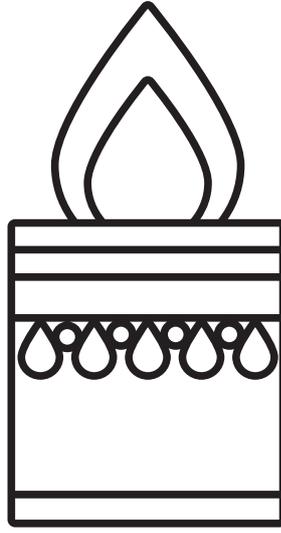
# Christmas Counting

How many Christmas elements do you count?

Write the number in the box next to it.



# Happy Diwali



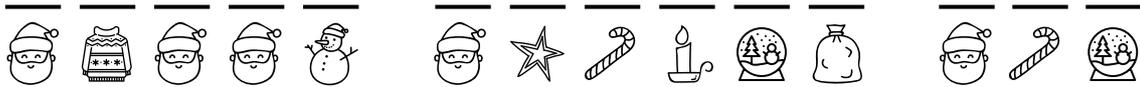
# CHRISTMAS TONGUE TWISTERS

## CODE BREAKER

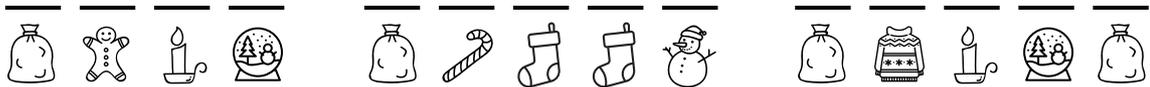
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Can you decode these Christmas tongue twisters? Use the key to break the code

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**2**

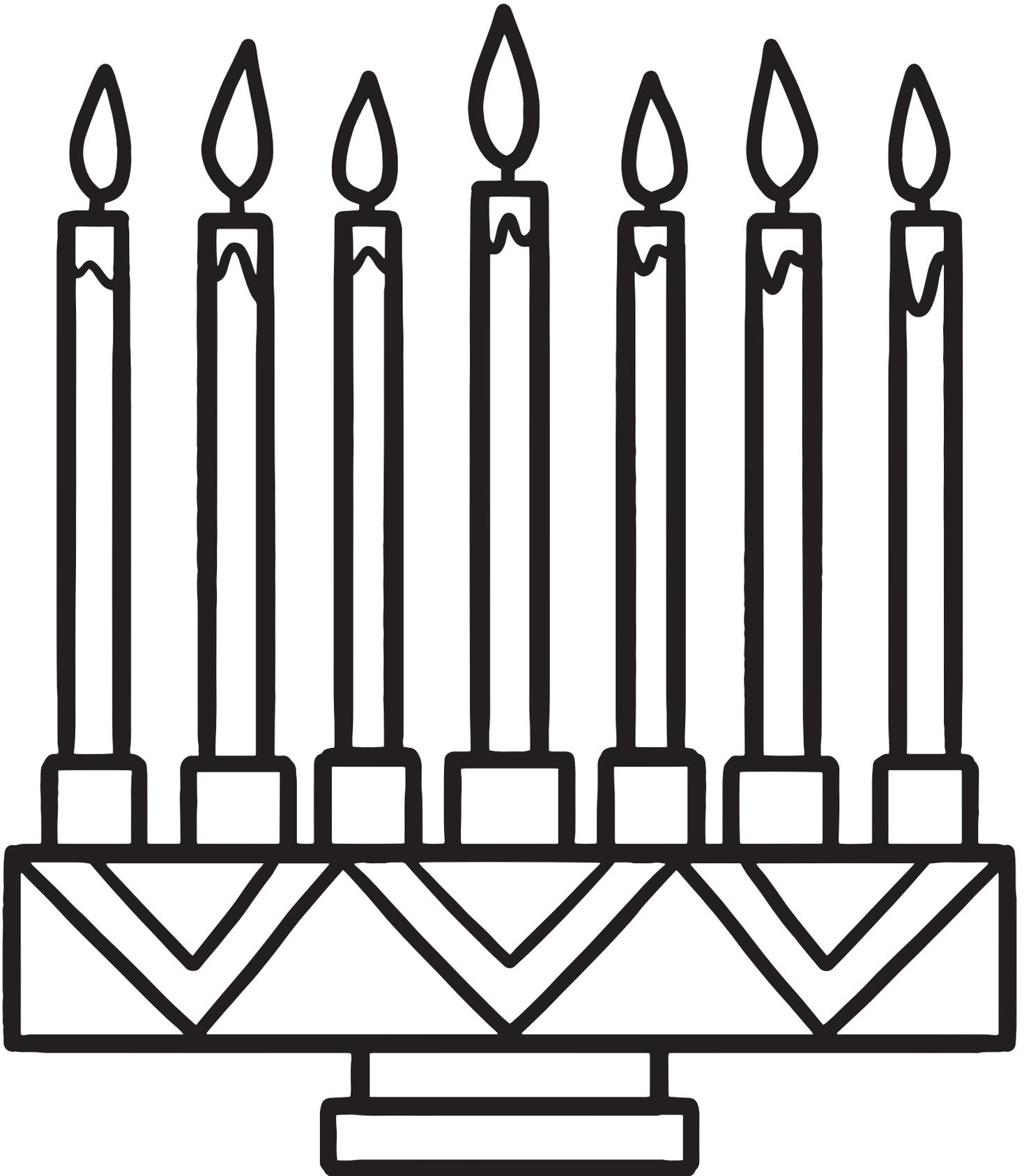


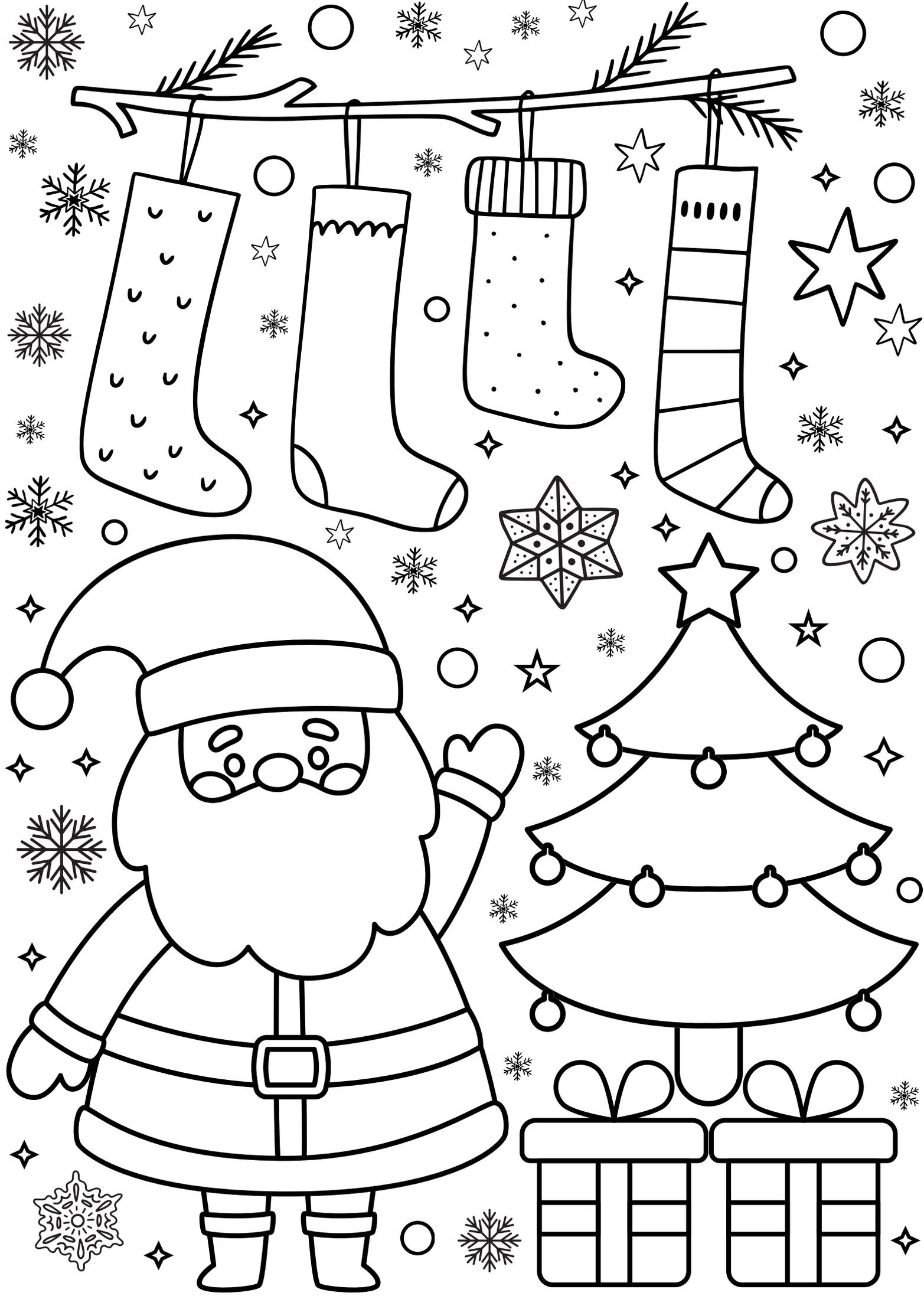
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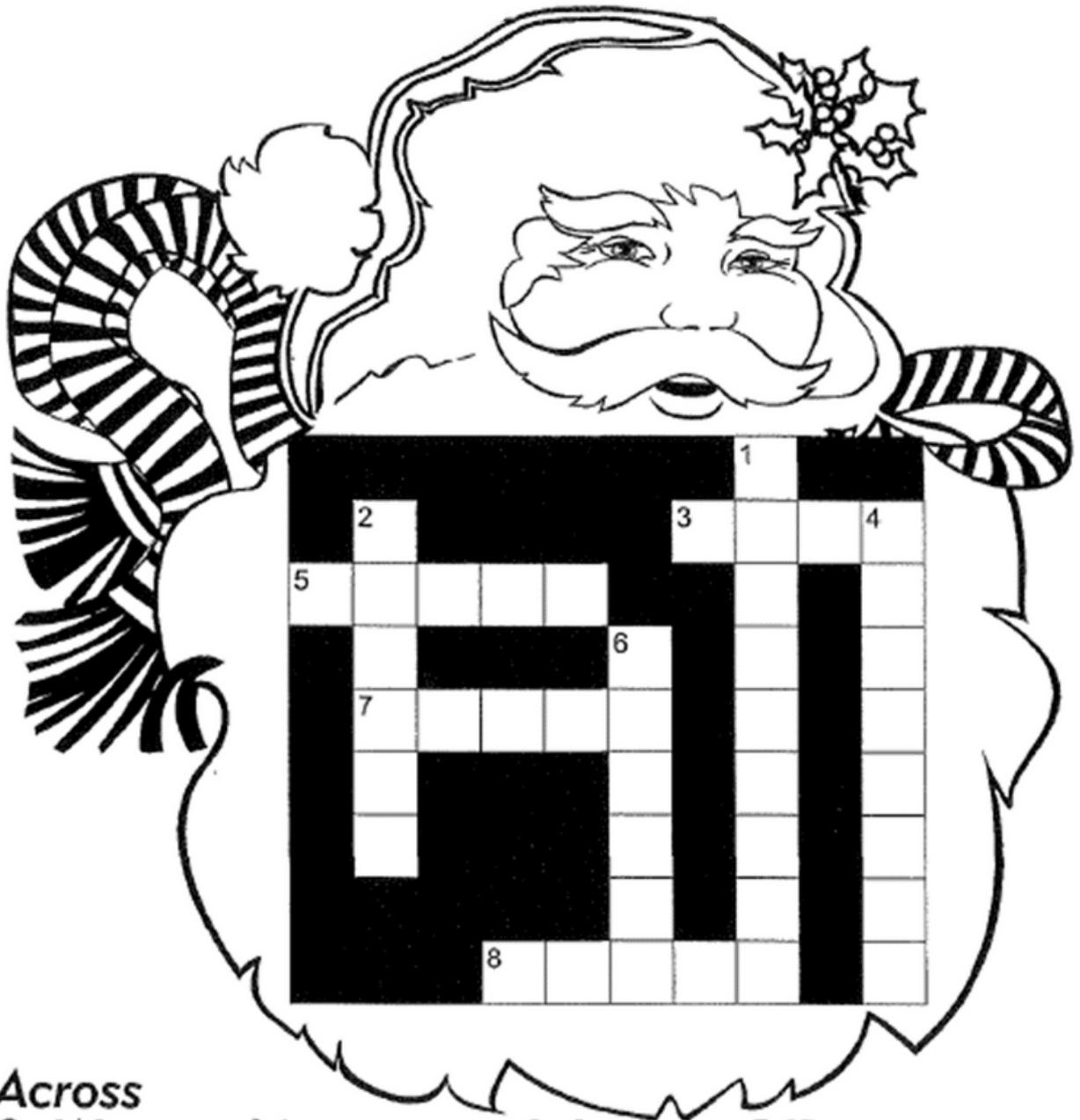
# The Kinara

During Kwanzaa, seven candles are placed in the Kinara - three red on the left, three green on the right and a single black candle in the centre.





# Christmas Crossword



## Across

3. We put this on top of the tree.[4]
5. Santa leaves these under the tree.[5]
7. A jolly old man in a red suit.[5]
8. He was born on Christmas day.[5]

## Down

1. We want these to be filled with presents.[9]
2. We use this to decorate a Christmas tree.[6]
4. These animals pull Santa's sleigh.[8]
6. Songs we sing at Christmas time.[6]

# Auslan Holiday Greeting



## **MERRY/HAPPY**

Tap the flat of your hands together, making a small forward circular action with your top hand, twice.



## **CHRISTMAS**

Frame your chin with your thumb and fingers. Move your hand down slightly, bringing your fingers and thumb together, as though you are outlining Santa's beard. Do this twice in quick succession.



## **HOLIDAYS**

With both hands flat and held in front of sides, fingers pointing upwards and thumbs pointing towards opposite hand; move hands in small outwards circles.

# Pancha Ganapati

From December 21-25 Hindus worship Ganesha (Elephant God). They bring his joy into their lives each of the 5 days through their relationships with; family, friends, associates, culture and religion.





Merry Christmas

# Gingerbread Cookies

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PREP: 10 MIN • COOK: 10-12 MIN

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## Ingredients

**3 CUPS** plain flour                      **4 TBSP** golden syrup  
**1 TSP** bicarbonate soda              **1** large egg  
**2 TSP** ground ginger  
**1 CUP** sugar

## Method

1. pre-heat oven to 200c/180c (fan forced)
2. measure the flour and add it into a large mixing bowl
3. chop up the butter into small pieces before adding it to the flour
4. using your finger tips, rub in the butter until it feels like breadcrumbs
5. add ginger, sugar, bicarbonate soda and mix
6. add the golden syrup and mix until dough is smooth
7. roll out the dough on a lightly floured surface until it is approximately 5mm thick
8. cut our ginger bread shapes
9. bake in oven for 10-12 minutes until they become a slightly darker shade. Cool slightly then lift onto a wire rack to cool - Enjoy!

**TSP = TEASPOON**

**TBSP = TABLESPOON**



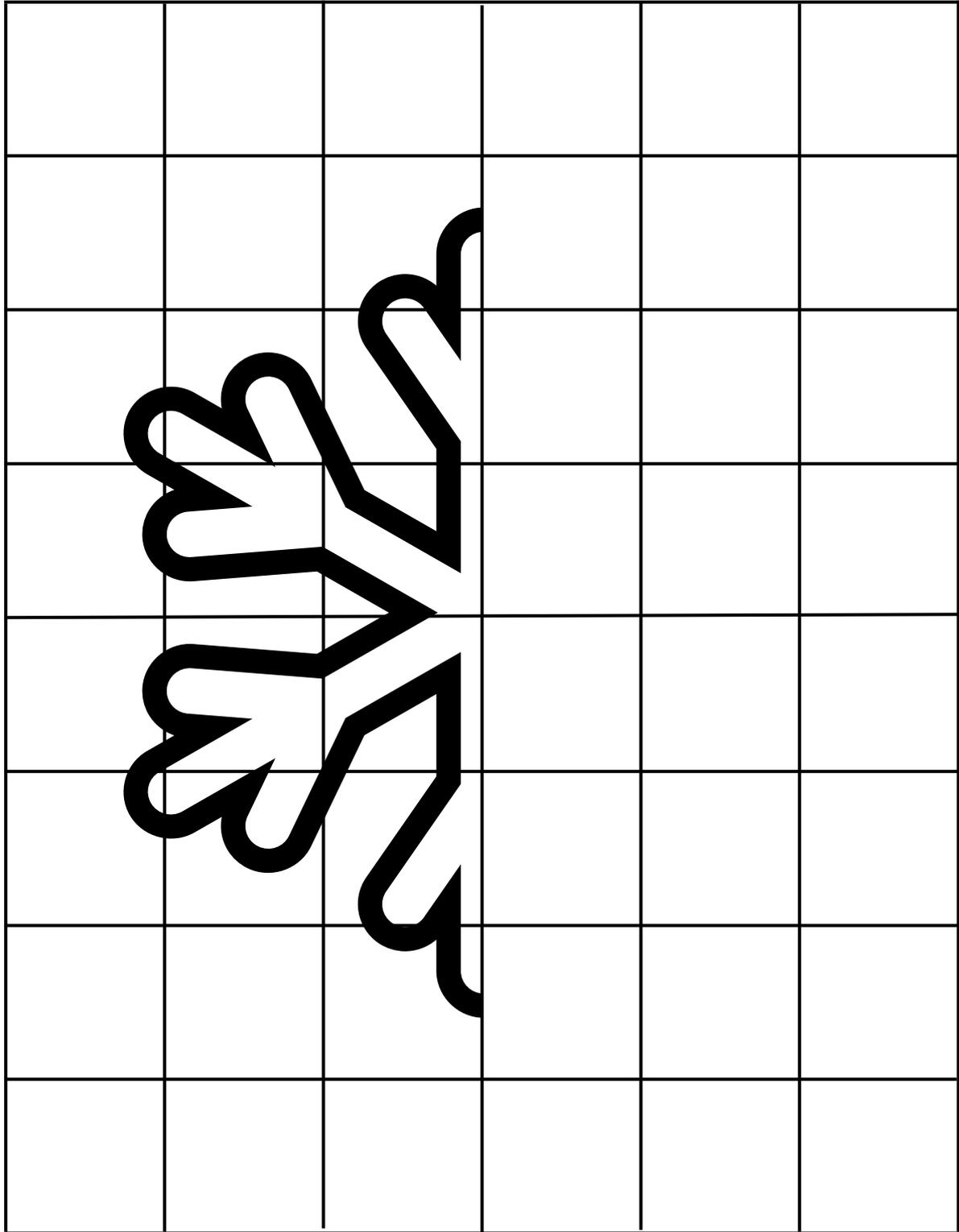
Have a Roar-some

Christmas!



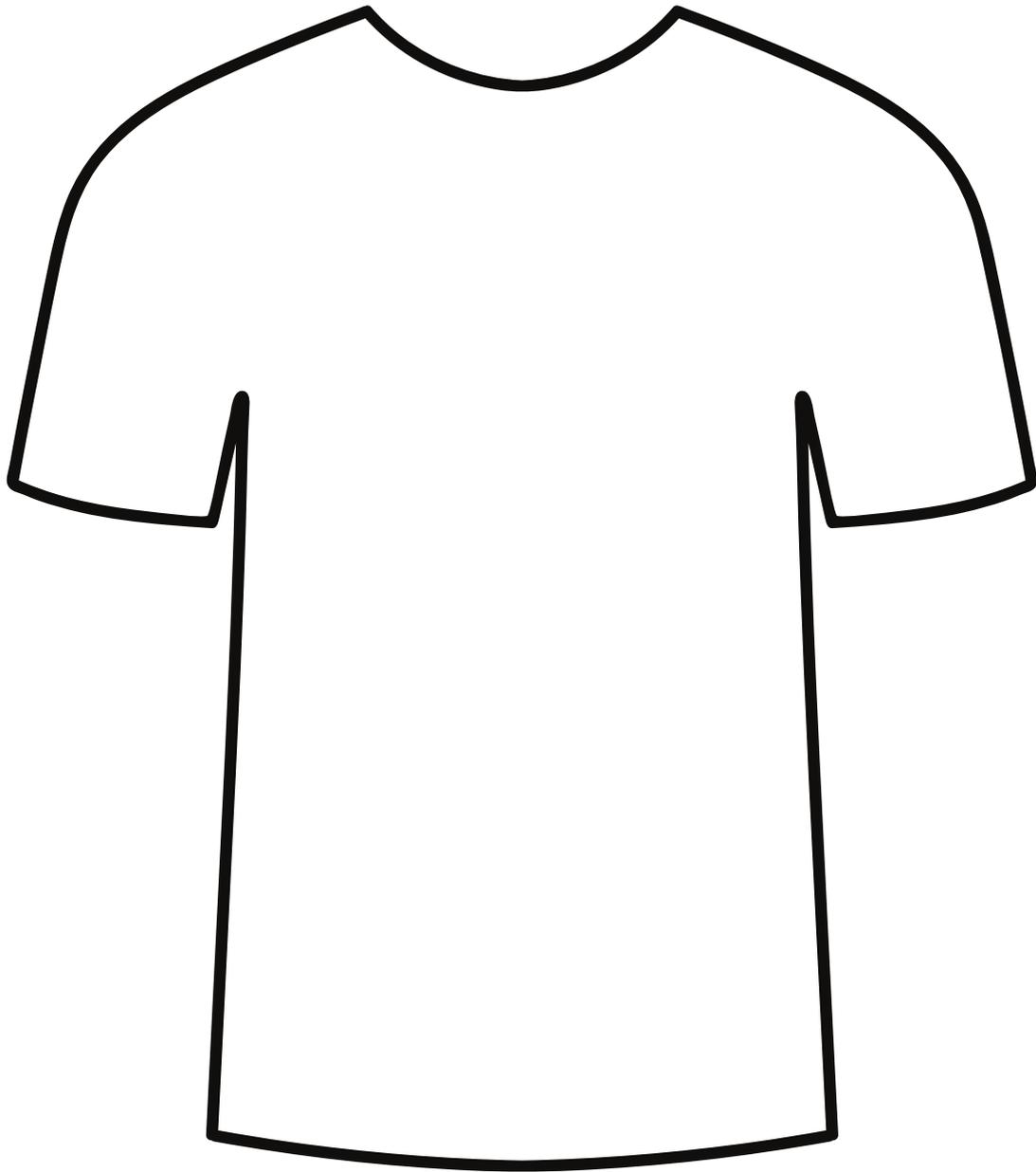
# Christmas Symmetry

Draw the other halves of this shape.



# MY T-SHIRT

Design a T-shirt for your summer holiday. Write about it below.



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Make sure to include your email address to receive a reply from Santa.

Have your letters in the **Bungendore** or **Braidwood Library** Santa Post Box, or post it through the **Queanbeyan Library** return chute on 6 Rutledge St, by 13th December.





Wishing you a  
**Happy Holidays!**

We want to thank you  
for all the ways you have supported  
Queanbeyan-Palerang Libraries this year!

We look forward to seeing you in 2024!



Check out our school holiday program