

# Christmas Worksheet 4

Parents, ask your child to:

1. Read the cloze passage below
2. Fill in the blanks - each blank contains one missing word. (The next page contains a list of the missing words in random order, to make the task easier for younger children. If your child's reading is still at a beginner's level, you may like to read the completed story with them first, before they attempt to fill in the blanks.)

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His sister eagerly unwrapped the present.

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But, no! The last present was for Sarah too. Oliver was very \_\_\_\_\_. He could not believe that he had not received a single present.

Just at that moment, mom and dad appeared.

"\_\_\_\_\_ Christmas everyone," said dad. "Time for breakfast!"

"Let's all go outside for a second first though," said mom. "It is such a lovely day."

All \_\_\_\_\_ of them walked outside. Oliver felt so sad he was nearly crying.

"Wow! Look at that!" exclaimed Sarah.

Oliver looked to where she was pointing and his eyes \_\_\_\_\_. There, against the tree, was a brand new, gleaming bicycle.

"Is that for me?" he asked, barely able to believe it was true.

"It sure is," said mom. "It must have been too big for Santa to fit down the chimney."

Oliver and Sarah raced over to take a closer look at the \_\_\_\_\_.

"Merry Christmas," said dad to mom, and they both smiled.



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Words to choose from

four

bike

presents

sad

Oliver

widened

Merry

read

Christmas

Sarah



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## Answers

- Below is the completed cloze passage, with the missing words in red.
- Note that for some blanks several different words could have been chosen. As long as the word your child has selected fits in with the story and is grammatically correct, this is fine.

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