

Activity of the Month

December 2022

Decorating the House for the Holidays

Get your holiday decorations out of storage and decorate the house. As you take out each time, talk about what it is and where you will put it.





TASL Level 1

(single words and word combinations)

a big box. (adjective-noun)
Open the box. (verb-noun)
Santa! (noun)
Santa is on the table. (noun-noun)
black boots (adjective-noun)
a red hat (adjective-noun)
a tree (noun)
a green tree (adjective-noun)
a big tree (adjective-noun)
a little tree (adjective-noun)
Where is the snowman? (interrogative)
an orange nose (adjective-noun)
black eyes (adjective-noun)
lights (noun)
white lights (adjective-noun)
Turn on the lights. (verb-noun)
little lights (adjective-noun)
Where is the bow? (interrogative)
Mommy has the bow. (noun-noun)
a red bow (adjective-noun)
All done! (expression)



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TASL Level 2

(simple sentences of at least 3 words)

- Let's decorate the house! (subject-verb-object)
- Where is the box? (interrogative)
- Mom is opening the box. (subject-verb-object)
- Decorations are in the box. (subject-verb-prepositional phrase)
- What do you want? (interrogative)
- I want Santa. (subject-verb-object)
- Put Santa on the shelf. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- Santa is wearing black boots. (subject-verb-object)
- We need more decorations. (subject-verb-object)
- I see Christmas trees. (subject-verb-object)
- I have a big tree. (subject-verb-object)
- You have the little tree. (subject-verb-object)
- I want the Christmas lights. (subject-verb-object)
- Hang lights on the stairs! (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- Dad turned on the lights. (subject-verb-prepositional phrase) right? Or is "turned on" a verb? :)
- I will get the stockings. (subject-verb-object)
- My stocking is empty. (subject-verb-adjective)
- I will hang the stocking. (subject-verb-object)
- I want a snow globe. (subject-verb-object)
- Santa is in the snow globe. (subject-verb-prepositional phrase)
- Who will shake the snow globe? (interrogative)
- I like the decorations. (subject-verb-object)



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TASL Level 3

(simple and complex sentences of at least 6 words)

- We should decorate the house for Christmas. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- I asked, "Where is the box?" (direct discourse)
- The box was in the basement. (subject-verb-prepositional phrase)
- We need to open the box. (one clause + an infinitive)
- I grabbed a snowman from the box. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- Where will you put the snowman? (interrogative)
- I will put it on the table. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- There is a button on the reindeer. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- I pushed the button, and it sang! (two clauses + a conjunction)
- Now I will get the stockings. (subject-verb-object)
- I hung the stocking on a stocking holder. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- Where should I put the little trees? (interrogative)
- Dad said, "Put them on the mantel." (direct discourse)
- Let's put garland on the stairs. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- We need to get the lights. (one clause + an infinitive)
- Mom wrapped the lights around the garland. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- I smiled because the lights are pretty. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- I want to get the bows. (one clause + an infinitive)
- That red bow is too big. (subject-verb-adjective)
- We should get Santa from the box. (subject-verb-object-prepositional phrase)
- I grabbed Santa and Mom grabbed Rudolf. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- Tomorrow we will decorate the tree. (subject-verb-object)



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TASL Level 4

(complex sentences of at least 8 words containing 2 verb forms)

- Mom told me we can decorate the house. (indirect discourse)
- Where do we keep the box of decorations? (interrogative)
- Mom said, "We keep the decorations in the basement." (direct discourse)
- Dad carried the box because it was heavy. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- I found an old snow globe and shook it. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- Mom got the snow globe when she was a child. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- Dad wanted to see the snow globe after me. (one clause + an infinitive)
- What do you want to grab from the box? (interrogative)
- Mom asked me if I would get the snowmen. (indirect discourse)
- I said, "I will line up the snowmen." (direct discourse)
- I dropped a snowman when I lined them up. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- Dad told me he will fix it with glue. (indirect discourse)
- Let's hang the garland before we hang the stockings. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- I need you to help me hang the garland. (one clause + an infinitive)
- Mom said, "Get the stool so you can reach." (direct discourse)
- After we hung the garland, Dad grabbed the stockings. (two clause + a conjunction)
- How do we get the stockings to stay? (interrogative)
- Mom said, "I bought stocking holders at the store." (direct discourse)
- I want to put candles next to the poinsettia. (one clause + an infinitive)
- Do we have a wreath for the door? (interrogative)
- Mom hung the mistletoe and then kissed Dad. (two clauses + a conjunction)
- We decorated and started a fire in the fireplace. (two clauses + a conjunction)



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TASL Level 5

(very complex sentences of at least 10 words containing 3 verb forms)

We are excited to decorate the house since it's almost Christmas. (two clauses + a secondary verb)
I went downstairs, but I didn't see the decorations, so mom helped. (three clauses + two conjunctions)
We had to set the box on the floor because it was heavy. (two clauses + a secondary verb)
I said, "Let's make the house look like the North Pole!" (direct discourse)
When I opened the box, I saw the nutcracker and grabbed it. (three clauses + two conjunctions)
Mom asked me to put down the nutcracker since it is fragile. (indirect discourse)
I found lights and asked Dad if I could hang them. (indirect discourse)
Dad said, "I want to hang the extra lights in your room." (direct discourse)
I want to hang the garland and then put up the stockings. (two clauses + a secondary verb)
Mom said, "If there's extra garland, then put it on the stairs." (direct discourse)
I have never hung garland, so I had to ask for help. (two clauses + a secondary verb)
I wanted to hang bows above the stockings but there wasn't room. (two clauses + a secondary verb)
Are we going to drink hot chocolate when we finish decorating? (interrogative)
Dad said, "You can have some hot chocolate after we clean up." (direct discourse)
I found the wreath and tried to hang it by myself. (two clauses + a secondary verb)
Mom helped me after she hung the mistletoe because I couldn't reach. (three clauses + two conjunctions)
Do you think we should get poinsettias to put next to the fireplace? (interrogative)
Mom said, "I will buy some when I go to the store." (direct discourse)
Decorating is fun because the house looks nice when we're finished. (three clauses + two conjunctions)
After Dad hangs the Christmas lights, I hope he sets up the inflatables. (two clauses + a secondary verb)
Who wants to drink hot chocolate while the cookies are baking? (interrogative)



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