



Lesson 52: Santa Claus Knows Everything

Exercise 01

Vocabulary

argue	(V)	to speak angrily to someone because you disagree with them	They often argue with each other.
state	(V)	to say or write something in a clear way	Please state your name and address.
ridiculously	(ADV)	in a way that seems unreasonable or silly	These questions were ridiculously easy for the students.
unconnected	(ADJ)	not connected, not related in any way	This teddy bear reminds me of my childhood .
coincidence	(N)	a situation in which two things happen at the same time by chance in a way that seems surprising	It was a coincidence that they both wore the exact same outfit.
deed	(N)	a good or bad thing that someone does	Santa knows all of your wrong deeds .
innocence	(N)	lack of experience or knowledge about the bad things in the world	Her innocence sometimes attracts men.
suppose	(V)	to think that something is true	I suppose that you finished the project?



Exercise 02

Dialogue Practice

Read the dialogue aloud with your teacher.

Jess overheard two children talking about Santa Claus. She later tells Jane



Jane

Jess, long time no see! How have you been?



Jess

Oh, I'm fine, but I've been very busy recently. Anyway, I overheard two children talking about Santa Claus yesterday, and it was so funny.



Jane

Really? What did they say?



Jess

A girl and a boy were arguing with each other. The girl stated that Santa Claus and God are one and the same person because they both know about all the good and bad things we do.



Jane

Sounds ridiculously entertaining. What did the boy say?



Jess

He said that Santa and God are completely unconnected. They have nothing to do with each other. It is just a coincidence that they have the same power, although God is much more powerful.



Jane

That is quite a deep discussion for children. They must be very smart. How old were they?





Jess

About seven years old, I guess. Don't you find it amazing that Santa knows all the good and bad deeds we do?



Jane

Definitely!

Check your understanding:

- What did Jess overhear yesterday?
- What did the little boy insist on?
- How old were the children?

Exercise 03

Role Play

Role-play the following situation with your teacher.

Situation:

- Your child has started to doubt the existence of Santa Claus, but you still want him/her to believe.
- Your teacher will play the role of your child.
- Prove to your teacher that Santa exists.

Exercise 04

Discussion

- 1) Do children believe in Santa Claus in your country? If so, explain who he is and why they believe this.
- 2) In your country, who is more excited about Christmas: children or adults? Why?
- 3) What is your favorite Christmas meal? What dish would you love to have this Christmas?

