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The Polar Express: Fill-In Questions

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Review

1. Why was the boy waiting to hear Santa's sleigh bells on Christmas Eve night?

2. What direction was the Polar Express going?

3. Why didn't they see any elves when they arrived in the city?

4. Why couldn't they see lights out of the train windows?

5. What did the boys and girls do on the train?

6. What did the boy's parents think of the bell?

7. Why couldn't the children go look for the bell?

8. What did the boy choose as his gift from Santa?

9. Why couldn't other people hear the bell when it rang?

10. Why was the boy able to hear the bell even when he was an adult?

11. What point of view is the story written in?

12. What was the last present that the boy opened on Christmas morning?



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13. What sound did the boy hear on Christmas Eve night?

14. What is another name for the elves?

15. What was at the North Pole?

16. What did the conductor tell the boy?

17. Who is Mr. C?

18. Who did Santa choose to give the first gift of Christmas to?

19. What lights did they finally see from the train?

20. What was Santa's reaction to the boy asking for a sleigh bell?

Answer Key

1. The boy's friend had told him there was no Santa, and he was trying to wait up to hear to bells to prove his friend wrong.
2. north
3. The elves were in the center of the city waiting for Santa.
4. They had gone past all the towns and were heading for the North Pole.
5. They ate candies with nougat centers and drank hot cocoa.
6. They thought the bell was broken.
7. The train was already pulling out.
8. a sleigh bell
9. They didn't believe in Santa Claus anymore.
10. because he always believed in Santa Claus
11. 1st person
12. a small box with the silver bell in it
13. The boy heard the sound of a steam engine train.
14. Santa's helpers
15. a huge city filled with factories where every Christmas toy was made
16. that the train was going to the North Pole
17. Santa Claus
18. the author
19. They saw the lights of the North Pole.
20. He smiled, hugged the boy, and told an elf to cut one off the harness.