A Penguin Writes to Santa

Do not read the story yet! Write a word for each number.

1. **Adjective**
   a describing word: fluffy, enormous
2. **Past tense verb**
   something already done: jumped, ate
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   something already done: jumped, ate
4. **Number**
   any number: 7, 365, a million
5. **Plural noun**
   more than one thing: socks, puddings
6. **Adjective**
   a describing word: fluffy, enormous
7. **Plural noun**
   more than one thing: socks, puddings
8. **Verb**
   an action word: jump, sing
9. **Plural noun**
   more than one thing: socks, puddings
10. **Food**
    any food: spaghetti, sprouts
11. **Adjective**
    a describing word: fluffy, enormous
12. **Adverb**
    how it is done: loudly, slowly

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Copy each word into the line with the same number, then read the story aloud.

Dear Santa,

My name is Pip and I am a very _____ (1) penguin from Antarctica. This year I have been very good. I _____ (2) my fish with my sister, and I only _____ (3) into the sea _____ (4) times when I was not meant to. For Christmas I would love some warm _____ (5), a pair of _____ (6) earmuffs and a book about _____ (7). My brother wants to learn to _____ (8), so please bring him some _____ (9). If you visit, we will leave out a bucket of _____ (10) for you and some _____ (11) snow for the reindeer. Please fly _____ (12), because the ice is slippery.

Love from Pip

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Read-aloud example: our silly words are in the grey boxes.

Dear Santa,

My name is Pip and I am a very tiny penguin from Antarctica. This year I have been very good. I shared my fish with my sister, and I only slid into the sea 3 times when I was not meant to. For Christmas I would love some warm mittens, a pair of fluffy earmuffs and a book about volcanoes. My brother wants to learn to fly, so please bring him some feathers. If you visit, we will leave out a bucket of frozen fish for you and some crunchy snow for the reindeer. Please fly carefully, because the ice is slippery.

Love from Pip

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