The arrival · what to do now

Set the expectation you can keep.

The letter on the next page introduces Jingle, sets the don't-touch rule, and promises nothing about every night — so a quiet night later is not a broken promise. Leave it under the elf, folded, where Oliver will find it first.

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1 Sit Jingle somewhere it can be seen from the doorway, the letter under it.

2 Do not announce it. Let the finding be theirs.

3 If the elf gets touched later: it needs a night to recover its magic. Say it once.

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Jingle · assigned to Oliver

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Dear Oliver,

My name is Jingle, and I have been sent from the North Pole to stay in your house until Christmas Eve.

I move about at night, sometimes a long way, sometimes not at all — a long flight makes an elf sleepy. In the morning I will be wherever I ended up.

One rule, and it is the only one: please do not touch me. It makes my magic go quiet for a whole night, and I would rather be awake.

I am very glad to be here. I had heard about you.

Your elf,

Jingle

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