The Mystery of the Missing Christmas Presents **Answers**

Clue 1 - Christmas Chaos

'Spect' family	'Graph' family	'Vent' family
spectator	telegraph	event
inspect	photograph	ventilate
respect	graphic	adventure
spectacles	biography	venture
perspective		

The family with the most words is the 'Spect' family, so the culprit's shoes are pointy.

Clue 2 - Noel Nouns

Super-	Anti-	Auto-
star	septic	biography
hero	freeze	graph
nova	biotics	
	dote	

The prefix with the most words is **anti**, so the culprit's hat is **red**.





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Clue 3 - Seasonal Speech

	√ or x
"Welcome to our Christmas play," said Elfina.	√
"we are going to sing lots of Christmas carols," said Noel.	Х
Glitter declared, "I am going to read a poem.	х
Merry sang, We wish you a happy Christmas.	х
Lulu joyfully said, "Happy Christmas one and all."	√
"Will you join in with our final song? asked Holly."	х
Let's all be grateful for the gifts we've received, said Ivy.	Х
Yule confidently said, "Thank you for coming. Have a safe journey home."	✓

There were **5** crosses and **3** ticks. There were more **crosses** so the culprit **wears** / does not wear glasses.

Clue 4 - Disastrous Descriptions

	√ or x
The rocking horses black mane was long and silky.	X
This dolly's ginger hair is so soft that everyone will enjoy styling it.	√
The fairys' long, blonde hair can be brushed again and again.	Х
The new teddy bear, who has brown fur, will amaze all children with it's ability to copy words and actions.	X

The colour mentioned in the sentence with the correct use of an apostrophe is **ginger**, so the culprit has **ginger** hair.





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Clue 5 - It's Still A Mystery!

A present	An angel
A stocking	A tree
An elf	A star
A reindeer	A bauble
A sleigh	An icicle

I used ${\bf a}$ / an most frequently so the culprit is a **female.**

The present thief was Angel.



