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A New Millennium Christmas Play In Three Acts

Cast of Characters

(in order of appearance)

- Reporter 1 Serious tone to voice. Caring, Important sounding.
- Reporter 2 Silly, does not pay attention.
- Reporter 3 Excited but sincere.
- Olive T. Elf Important. In charge of all elf work.
- Alfred T. Elf Industrious, elf who loves computers.
- Merry T. Elf Happy, always cheerful.
- Hermoine T. Elf Negative, always ready to make fun of someone.
- Rhymin' T. Elf Speaks in rhymes.

Santa - Santa like.

Jasmine Chester - New York child

Connie Lester - Has Texas accent, from Texas.

Jenny Parker - A valley girl from California.

- Kendra Barker From Alaska.
- Mikey Miller A kid who got rocks for Christmas
- Glinda Louise Diller A kid who is cuckoo coo for cuckoo clocks

ACT ONE

SONG <u>"ON THIS DECEMBER NIGHT"</u>

SCENE ONE

(Scene opens wit	th reporters talking directly to the audience, doing a news story.)
Reporter 1 -	Thank-you for that beautiful music. Ah, Christmas, can you think of a more wonderful time of the year!
Reporter 2 -	(interrupting) I sure can't! Nope!
Reporter 1 -	I wasn't expecting an answer, I was trying to set the stage for this story
Reporter 2 -	(asking news reporter 3) How about you, can you think of a
Reporter 1 -	<i>(interrupting both of them)</i> Look, we have a very interesting news story to report about here, and I need you to listen as I set up the story.
Reporter 3 -	Well, go right ahead.
Reporter 2 -	Yes, go right ahead.
Reporters 2&3 -	Don't let us stop you.
Reporter 1 -	Thank-you. <i>(Clearing throat and speaking to the camera man.)</i> Let's take that again. <i>(Pauses)</i> Christmas, can you think of a more wonderful time of the year!
Reporter 3 -	(covers news reporter 2's mouth who is about to answer.)
Reporter 1 -	A time for snow, carols, Santa, elves
Reporter 2 -	And don't forget the presents!!!
- Reporter 1 -	Yes, presents, Gifts of all kinds expressing the warmest of holiday greetings. Tonight we bring you the story,
Reporter 3 -	A North Pole story!

- Reporter 2 Will Santa be in it, and the elves and the reindeer?
- Reporter 1 *(Speaking in a calming tone)* Yes, yes now why don't you sit back and relax while we begin to tell you the story we call -"FA LA LA LA LA DOT COM"

SONG - <u>"WWW.FA LA LA.COM"</u>

SCENE TWO - SANTA'S WORKSHOP

(Reporter 1 stands in front of the toy shop scene, after speaking moves off stage.)

Reporter 1 - Way up north, in Santa's workshop they were having some troubles with a certain elf. Alfred was his name. (*Action to workshop scene.*)

(The scene opens as Merry Elf, Alfred Elf, Hector Elf, and Rhymin Elf are busily working at a table making toys. The head elf Olive T. Elf is watching Alfred and she approaches him and speaks.)

Olive Elf -	Alfred, I've been keeping my eye on you and I believe you are not an ordinary everyday elf are you?
Alfred Elf -	Why no boss!
Merry Elf -	He's not a Jinglebell-Jingling, Workshop-Working elf like me.
Hector Elf -	He flunked wrapping 101, big time!
Alfred Elf -	(Sheepishly) Well I
Rhymin Elf -	Curl a ribbon, tie a bow, don't think so!
OliverElf -	Alfred, have you ever made a single toy? Or stuffed a stocking?
Hector Elf -	This elf? Forget about it
Rhymin Elf -	Alfred doesn't have a clue, how to build, paint or even glue.
Alfred Elf -	(Sheepishly) Well, I -3-

Olive Elf - Why can't you be more like Hector Elf?

(All observe Hector stacking boxes high on the table.)

Merry Elf -	He's Santas' number one toy stacker.
Hector Elf -	Or like Merry Elf,
Rhymin Elf -	She's Santas' number one toy packer. (All watch as she stuffs a box full.)
Alfred Elf -	Well, I may not be good at all those kinds of things but I'm the only one around here that can run a computer. In fact, I bet I'm Santas' number one computer hacker!
(All elves react to Alfred with "He's right", "No doubt about that",	

"Good Point" and go back to building toys.)

Olive Elf - Enough of all of this, it's back to the mail room for you Alfred, everyone else back to work. *(Alfred steps forward and sings.)*

<u>Song -</u>

"WHAT'S AN ELF TO DO?"

ACT TWO

<u>SONG -</u>

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

SCENE THREE - THE MAIL ROOM

(Reporters talk to the audience and then exit off stage.) So on the night before Christmas when all through Santa's house. Reporter 1 -Reporter 2 -Every other elf was hurrying and scurrying. Alfred was busy clicking on his mouse. Reporter 3 -(Scene opens with Alfred in the Mail-Room seated at his computer. *Olive Elf enters and begins to speak to Alfred.*) Olive Elf -Alfred Elf, you're late! Where's Santa's list of toys for all the good little girls and boys? The Big Guy is dashing off in five minutes. Reporter 1 -Alfred gulped. His toes tingled. This was his big chance. Reporter 2 -But could he, would he, should he? No ordinary old-fashioned Christmas list for Santa this year! Reporter 3 -Alfred Elf -Olive, let me open my Frosty Windows and search for my super duper elf-file. Reporter 1 -He scanned Reporter 2 -He scrolled. Reporter 3 -And Olive Elfs' eyes rolled! Alfred Elf-(Holding up a disk to Olive.) And with a quick double click I have here a download of my new Super -Cyber Santa Christmas list! Olive Elf -(Rolling eves) We don't like changes around here. Just because it's new doesn't mean it's good. We'll see what Santa has to say about it.

SONG - <u>(We've Never Done It That Way)</u>

"TRADITION"

SCENE FOUR - SANTA'S OFFICE

(Santa is pacing, obviously unnerved by all the lists in his hand.)

Alfred Elf -	Alfred T. Elf, reporting for duty Santa with a download of my new Super- Cyber Santa Christmas list!
Santa -	(Looking at the silver disk) Oh? Oh! Oh!
Alfred Elf -	It's totally yule proof. Elf guaranteed! I made the list, checked it twice.
Santa -	Did you find out who was naughty or nice?
Alfred Elf -	Yes I did! It's like Santa on line.
Santa -	Did you see when they were sleeping? And do you know when they're awake! Do you know if they've been bad or good?
Alfred Elf -	My Elf-Check is good for goodness sake. I logged in each and every wish from each and every tot. Sir, I gave it my best one-two crunch.
Olive Elf -	This holly jolly elf is out to lunch!
Alfred Elf -	Face the facts chief, it's the new millennium! Time for Santa to surf the net.
Santa -	Well, one thing I can say for you is that you've got spirit. I'm on line with you Alfred. Well, off to my sled and tonights' delivery. <i>(The elves wave so long)</i>
<u>SONG-</u>	<u>"ON CHRISTMAS EVE"</u>

ACT THREE

SCENE FIVE - NEWS REPORTERS

(These dialogues are delivered center stage.)

Reporter 1 -	Alfred went back to the mail room happy, quite content and proud. Santa was making his deliveries using Alfreds' Super-Cyber Santa Christmas list.
Reporter 2 -	All seemed well. He kicked off his shoes, and unpointed his hat, leaned back and took a nap.
Reporter 3 -	Alfred snored and snoozed, why he slept right through Christmas Eve, and well past Christmas morning. But not the children. No not the children! Or the parents!

(All on stage start to murmur softly, then louder.)

SONG - "WHAT'S UP WITH THIS?

SCENE SIX - NEWS REPORTS

(These mini-scenes are delivered from separate sides of the stage.)

Reporter 1 -	I have here little Jasmine Chester who lives at east 33rd street, Apartment 3D, New York, New York. Tell us Jasmine, what did you find this morning underneath your Christmas Tree?
Jasmine -	I went down stairs to look under the tree for ice skates, but I didn't see ice skates. Naaaaaaaay. I saw a horse.
(All react with o	ph no!)
Reporter 2 -	And from San Antonio, Texas I would like you all to meet little Connie Lester from the Yippee-Aye-A Ranch. Connie, what did you get from Santa this year?
Connie -	(In a Texas accent) Under my little-ole tree I found ice-skates, but where is the ice?
(All on stage sc	ay - Alfred)

- Reporter 3 We now travel to Sunny California for this live report. from a Jenny Parker who lives in Malibu, California. Jenny, please tell us what you got from Santa this year.
- Jenny *(Valley Girl)* Like a I was like totally blown away by what like I found under my tree. I was hoping' for like a surf board but instead I found skis.

(All on stage say - Alfred!!!)

- Reporter 1 And a way up north from Nome, Alaska we have this story from Kendra Barker who would like to let the world know what he found under his Christmas tree!
- Kendra Instead of the snow skis I was hoping for, I found a surf board.

(All on stage say - Alfred!)

- Reporter 2 These stories will really make even the audience sigh.
- Reporter 3 I understand that Glinda Louise Diller who is only three found a box of cuckoo clocks under his tree!

(Entire cast goes "Ah")

Reporter 1 - You think that's bad, poor Mikey Miller got somebodys - who knows whose- rocks. Piled high in a box!

(Entire cast says "Oh No!")

<u>SONG - WHAT'S UP WITH THIS (REPRISE)</u>

SCENE SEVEN - THE MAIL ROOM

(Split scene. One side of the stage is the mail room, the other side is news reports scene.)

Olive Elf - (Olive speaks to Alfred, who is frantically working at his computer.) Alfred, moms and dads are not amused.
Alfred - I know, my fax machine has been humming with messages that are coming fast and furious.
-8-Merry Elf - What went wrong, Alfred?

<u>SONG -</u>	<u>"A BETTER HOLIDAY"</u>
Olive Elf -	Just get it unmixed and fixed, or this will be the last Christmas you hear a ho-ho-ho!
Rhymin Elf -	Not just a little glitch, try a humongous switch!
Alfred Elf -	I don't know what happened. I must have had a little computer glitch.
Hector Elf -	You and your computer have ruined Christmas!

SCENE EIGHT - THE MAIL ROOM

(Reporters and kids speak from one side of stage and the elves are on the other in the mail room.)

- Reporter 1 Just when Alfred was about to call it quits, a letter floated down from old Santa's mail shoot.
- Rhymin Elf *(Picks up letter and reads it silently. And approaches Oliver Elf.)* Look chief! Christmas wasn't ruined after all. This is a letter from Jasmine Chester who is having a ball.

(On other side of stage from mail room)

- Jasmine How did you know I always wanted a horse? Mr. Ned is already my best friend. He was the best gift I <u>never</u> asked for. Love, Jasmine.
- Olive One letter. One puny little note and you think that closes the book on this. *(Olive has moved under the mail shoot)*
- Hector Elf Look out! (mail is delivered all over Olive Elf)
- Merry Elf (Picking up one of the letters. Reads silently.) Well I'll be, listen to this.
- Mikey Mom and Dad said, rocks in a box? I of course knew that they were really cool blocks! They really rock, Santa! This is the best present of my whole life! Thanks, Mikey.
- Alfred *(Reading a couple letters silently.)* And listen to these!

- Kendra Why ski when you can surf? A snow board! Totally cool, Santa. Your friend, Kendra.
- Jenny Like I never knew snow skiing could be so far out! I totally love like all the shopping for snow apparel, scarfs, and hats and gloves . . .
- Olive Elf Let me see one of those. (Silently reads letter.)
- Connie *(Texas Accent)* Dear Santa, you made ice! You're so nice. This is the first time in 102 years that we had snow for Christmas. And thanks to you I had ice skates! Yippee-Aye-A. Love, Connie Lester.
- Merry Elf And listen to this one! (Reads silently.)
- Glinda How did you guess? I'm cuckoo for cuckoo-coo clocks! Thank-you, Thank-you, Thank-you, Glinda Louise Diller.
- Hector Elf -Well jingle my bells and uncurl my toes. The kids are happy. Don't ask me how, but it looks like you did it after all.
- (All the elves surround Alfred and cheer "Hurrah" for Alfred!)
- Olive Elf There's going to be little bonus for you in your Christmas stocking this year. Alfred! *(Shaking Alfreds hand.)* Congratulations Alfred!
- Hector Elf Even with an elf on the computer,
- Merry Elf Everything turned out alright!
- All Cast Merry Christmas to all ...

Rhymin' Elf - And to all a good night!!!

SONG - <u>"FA LA LA LA LA LA COM"</u>

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