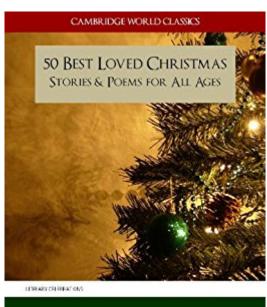
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# 50 Best Loved Christmas Stories And Poems For All Ages (Cambridge World Classics Edition) (Christmas Books Classic Literature Book 1)



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## Synopsis

This wonderful collection brings together, for the very first time, fifty of the best loved Christmas stories and poems in a single, beautifully illustrated volume. Opening with O. Henryâ ™s classic story of transcendent love, The Gift of the Magi, and closing with Robert Frostâ ™s celebratory poem, Christmas Trees, this anthology passes through the works of some of the greatest writers in world literature, including Charles Dickens, Hans Christian Andersen, Louisa May Alcott, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, Sir Walter Scott, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, G.K. Chesterton, Thomas Hardy, Harriet Beecher Stowe, and William Butler Yeats.lt, of course, includes the well known classics such as Dickensâ ™ A Christmas Carol and Mooreâ ™s The Night Before Christmas. However, it also contains some relatively unknown gems such as Abbey Farwell Brownâ ™s A Christmas Angel and two wonderful folk tales retold by Elizabeth Harrison, Little Gretchen and the Wooden Shoe and A Story of the Little Child. This collection has been newly edited, commented and painstakingly illustrated in the hope that it will create new joyous Christmas memories for generations to come.CONTENTSThis completely new anthology of Christmas stories and poems contains an original preface and introduction, as well as a fully interactive table of contents. Part One: The Meaning of ChristmasThe Gift of the Magi O.HENRYThe Fir Tree HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN The Little Match Girl HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSENA Christmas Carol CHARLES DICKENSA Christmas Dream, LOUISA MAY ALCOTT The Christmas Angel ABBIE FARWELL BROWNLittle Gretchen and the Wooden Shoe ELIZABETH HARRISONA Story of the Child ELIZABETH HARRISONInterlude: The Night Before Christmas The Night Before Christmas CLEMENT CLARKE MOOREThe Night After Christmas CLEMENT CLARKE MOORESanta Claus Does Not Forget M.A. HALEYThe Fairy Christmas ETHELDRED BARRY. Christmas Day ANNA MORRISONGrandmaâ ™s Christmas Gifts ANONYMOUSMamaâ ™s Happy Christmas MIRIAM T. BARNARDThe Christmas Carol of the Birds G. HALLA Turkey for One LAVINIA GOODWINLittle Christmas Carollers L.A. FRANCEWhat Happened Christmas Eve OLIVER HERFOLD.Susyâ ™s Christmas Present ANONYMOUSSanta Clausâ ™ Letter ANONYMOUSA Ragged Christmas Feast ANONYMOUSPart Two: Christmas TalesThe Christmas Babe MARGARET E. SANGSTERA Western Christmas W.H. CORNINGJoe's Search for Santa Claus IRVING BACHELLERAngela's Christmas JULIA SCHAYERFirst New England Christmas HEZEKIAH BUTTERWORTHThe Chimes CHARLES DICKENSBilly's Santa Claus Experience CORNELIA REDMONDChristmas in Poganuc HARRIET BEECHER STOWEThe Christmas Princess MARY LOUISA MOLESWORTHWidow Townsend's Visitor ANONYMOUSThe Old Man's Christmas ELLA WHEELER WILCOXThe Christmas Goblin CHARLES DICKENSThe Song of the Star C. H. MEAD.My Christmas Dinner

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This is a fine collection with an active TOC and well-formatted text for the Kindle. It is divided into

three parts. Part One is called "The Meaning of Christmas." It includes "The Gift of the Magi" by O. Henry; "The Fir Tree" and "The Little Match Girl," both by Hans Christian Andersen; "A Christmas Carol" by Charles Dickens; "A Christmas Dream" by Louisa May Alcott; "The Christmas Angel" by Abbie Farwell Brown; "Little Gretchen and the Wooden Shoes" and "A Story of the Child," both by Elizabeth Harrison. Then comes a section called "Interlude: The Night Before Christmas." There are fourteen works in this section (most of whose titles and authors are unfamiliar to me), including "The Night Before Christmas" and "The Night After Christmas," both by Clement Clarke Moore.Part Two is called "Christmas Tales," and includes seventeen tales, including "The Chimes" and "The Christmas Goblin" and "The Poor Traveler," all by Charles Dickens; "Christmas in Poganne" by Harriet Beecher Stowe; and "The Old Man's Christmas," by Ella Wheeler Wilcox. Part Three is titled "Classic Christmas Poems" and contains the following poems: "Ceremonies for Christmas" by Robert Herrick; "The True Christmas" by Henry Vaughan; "A Christmas Carol" by Samuel Taylor Coleridge; "Christmas in the Olden Time" by Sir Walter Scott; "Christmas Bells" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow; "A Christmas Carol" by G. K. Chesterton; "Mistletoe" by Walter de la Mare; "The Oxen" by Thomas Hardy; "The Magi" by William Butler Yeats; "Christmas Trees" by Robert Frost.I think everyone interested in a collection of Christmas stories and poems will find much to enjoy here.

This is a terrific collection of both well known and undiscovered Christmas stories. I discovered several stories that I did not know before and the fully interactive table of contents made browsing a breeze. I considered purchasing the other volume of stories by the same publisher 10 Best Loved Christmas Classic Stories for All Ages (Cambridge World Classics Edition) (Christmas Books Classic Literature) but I ultimately decided on this one as it was even better value (50 stories and poems for \$2.99 vs. 10 stories and poems for \$.99)

Not a bad little collection - the usual Dickens and O. Henry but at least a third of the book is made up of moralizing tales by obscure authors from the late 19th-early 20th century. If that's your thing, then you're in luck, but for those of us hoping for a little more rollicking or genuinely moving stories, the book is a bit of a disappointment.

Very nice to have during the holidays to read to kids and for myself. Beautiful stories. Many of them I have read for the first time. It has a very nice and very well put together ToC.

Out of the 50 I would rate quite a few 5 stars, quite a few 4 stars, a handful of them 3 stars, and maybe 5 or 6 that I would skip in a reread. Overall I would recommend this to anyone who enjoys holiday stories. Enjoyable for all ages.

In this kindle version - having trouble navigating it- unattractive, unprofessional layout. I was looking forward to enjoying the selections but have not been able to.

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