

St. Nicholas Fact File

Saint Nicholas lived a long time ago in a place we now know as Turkey.

His parents died when he was young and left him lots of money.

Nicholas lived with his uncle, who was a priest.

A nearby family were so poor they had nothing left to eat and were struggling to afford to let their daughters live at home. The daughters washed their stockings and left them by the fire to dry.

The next morning, they found gold in their stockings and were able to provide food and warmth for their family.

Nicholas had left the gift to them.

Nicholas always helped people in trouble, but he did it secretly as he didn't want a big fuss.

Saint Nicholas now lives in the North Pole and has lots of different names around the world, including Father Christmas.

On Christmas Eve he delivers presents to over 80 million children every year.



Questions:

1. What happened to Nicholas' parents?
2. Who did he live with?
3. What did the daughters wash and leave by the fire?
4. What gift did Nicholas leave for them?
5. Where does St. Nicholas live now?

What kind of gesture could you do for someone on the build up to Christmas?