

# Spike's Christmas Activity 4

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Welcome to a themed Spike Dino page for children (and adults)

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Spike has is Christmas stocking ready to hang up by the fireplace. But he is wondering why we do this. He found a story about the real Saint Nicholas that goes back to almost 800 years ago in Greece. Here is the short story.

Saint Nicholas wanted to help a father who had no money for his three daughters to get married. He wanted to give them a gift of money without causing the father any embarrassment, so Saint Nicholas secretly put a bag of gold coins into each girl's stocking.

The stockings were hung over the fireplace to dry overnight. The girls found the money in their stockings when they went to put them on in the morning.

Word soon spread of this miracle and, ever since, children hang up stockings on Christmas Eve hoping for gifts to magically appear.

So remember when you hang up your stocking the gifts were originally given to help those who received them.

Activity; Make your own Christmas window. Instructions on the next page.

### **Happy Christmas**

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### Make your own Christmas Window





**Step 1.** Gather your materials, you will need a green piece of card, a black piece of card, another piece of card, (colour of your choice), tissue paper, coloured pens, a pencils, scissors



**Step 2.** Cut the green card into a Christmas tree shape, see picture. Then glue it onto the other piece of coloured card.



**Step 3.** Decorate the tree using coloured pens and tissue paper.



**Step 4.** Cut a window frame out of the black card.



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**Step 5.** Stick the window frame onto your picture.

You have finished you Christmas window, don't forget to share what you have made with us #SpikeDinosAdventures