Grown-up guide

CONTEST	YOU NEED	WHO WINS
1. Gift Wrap Relay	wrapping paper, tape, a box per team	speed + neatness
2. Snowball Toss	scrap paper, the target page, tape	points by ring
3. Pin the Nose on the Reindeer	the poster, noses, tape, a scarf	closest nose
4. Christmas Freeze Dance	music, the 12 pose cards	last one still as a statue
5. Guess the Gift	paper bags, 8–12 small objects	correct guesses
6. Jingle Bell Spoon Race	spoons, jingle bells or wrapped sweets, lane numbers	first across, bell still on
7. Christmas Memory Match	the 24 memory cards on cardstock	most pairs
8. Santa Says	the 24 command cards	last player standing
9. Ornament Hunt	the 12 ornament tokens, tape	all 12 found
10. Roll a Snowman	a die, crayons, one sheet each	first full snowman

Running a party in 90 minutes

1. **Arrivals:** Ornament Hunt tokens are already hidden; children tick them off as they find them.
2. **Warm up:** Santa Says, then Freeze Dance.
3. **Big games:** Snowball Toss, Spoon Race, Gift Wrap Relay.
4. **Quiet time with food:** Guess the Gift, Memory Match, Roll a Snowman.
5. **Finale:** Pin the Nose, count the scorecard, hand out certificates.

Scoring that keeps everyone happy

- Scorecard: 3 points for first, 2 for second, 1 for everyone who finished.
- Three certificates: Christmas Champion (most points), Best Teammate (chosen by the children), Most Creative (chosen by the grown-ups).
- Small prizes for all: stickers, a candy cane, a paper crown.

Safety in one breath

- Clear a space, socks off on slippery floors.
- Pin the Nose: a helper walks the player; use a loose scarf, never tight.
- Jingle bells and small objects: ages 5+, grown-up watching.
- Scissors are a grown-up job; let the kids do the taping.

Scorecard



3 points for first place, 2 for second, 1 for everyone who finished the contest. Write the names across the top; a grown-up keeps the pen.

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Total								

Christmas Champion: most points. **Best Teammate:** the children vote by secret whisper to a grown-up. **Most Creative:** the grown-ups choose, using the gift tags, snowmen and freeze poses as evidence.

Everyone takes home: their snowman drawing, their nose from the reindeer and a certificate if you print extra copies of the next pages.