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The  
Gift of  
All Gifts

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**For Mom,**

**Thank you for always making Christmas  
such a special time in our family!**

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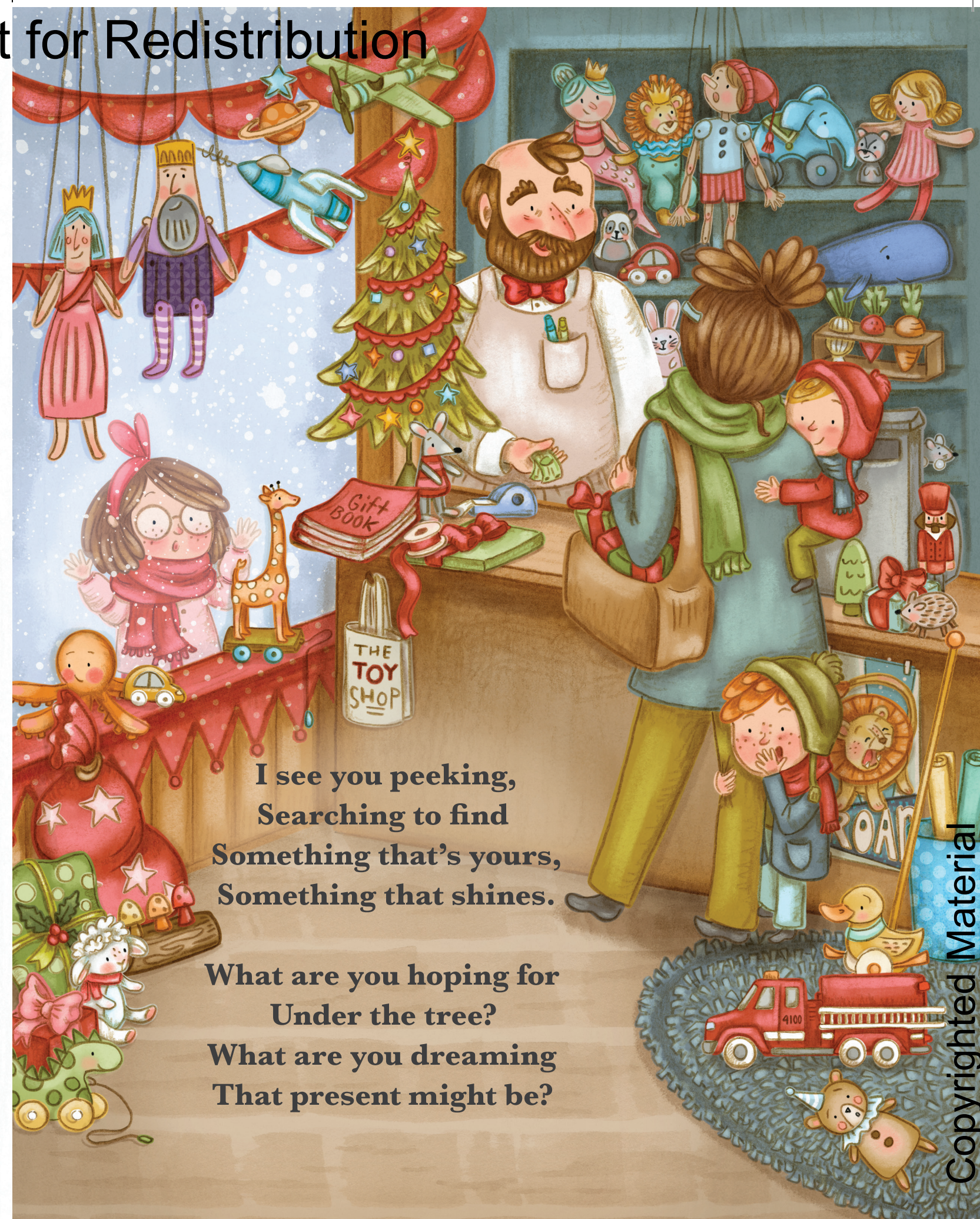
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**I see you peeking,  
Searching to find  
Something that's yours,  
Something that shines.**

**What are you hoping for  
Under the tree?  
What are you dreaming  
That present might be?**

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Maybe a  
skateboard

A drum or a flute  
Or a new clarinet?



The gift of all gifts  
Waiting for you?  
The gift of all gifts,  
Something that's new?

Or first  
coloring set?





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Perhaps it's a bike  
To ride fast and free?  
But that wouldn't fit...  
Oh, what could it be?



Maybe a puppy  
So sweet and so dear?  
But that would be squirmy  
It's perfectly clear.



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**Blocks or Legos,  
Candy or cash?**



**Maybe some skates  
That zoom really fast?**







**A doll or a train...  
Oh, what will it be,  
Wrapped and waiting  
Under the tree?**

**A puzzle or game  
Or new fishing net?  
Christmas is coming  
But it's not here yet.**





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**It's fun to dream  
About gifts that delight.  
It's fun to wonder,  
It's merry and bright.**

**But I have a secret  
I want you to know.  
A present is waiting  
From long, long ago.**



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The Gift of all gifts  
Given for you.  
The Gift of all gifts,  
Something that's true.

God gave this gift  
Prepared with such care,  
Told by the angels  
To shepherds unaware.



The prophets foretold,  
The star shone so bright,  
The heavens declared  
All the world made right.

Jesus was born!  
God in the flesh,  
Heavenly Creator  
Laid in a crèche.





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The shepherds were first  
To worship the king.



The wise men were next,  
And gifts did they bring.



**The Gift of all gifts  
Given today.  
The Gift of all gifts,  
God's love on display.**

**So very tiny,  
A surprise to behold.  
Mary pondered greatly  
The words she'd been told.**

**Wrapped as a baby  
To bring the world joy,  
He's the Gift of all Gifts  
For every girl, every boy!**







**He will be with you,  
Forever your friend.  
Jesus is faithful.  
His love never ends.**



**His life for yours  
He'll freely give.  
All your misdeeds  
He's sure to forgive.**





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Open this gift!  
Receive him today.  
Pray to King Jesus—  
His Word shows the way.

Christmas has come  
And will come again.  
Jesus will return  
And we'll live with him.



Until then, we wait  
With eyes all aglow,  
Sharing with others  
The Good News we know:

The Gift of all gifts  
A heart made new.  
The Gift of all gifts,  
Jesus loves you!





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Christmas is special.  
Now can you see?  
Jesus is the reason  
For gifts by our tree!

He gives us all things.  
There's much to enjoy—  
Family and friends,  
Your new favorite toy.





These gifts all remind us  
Of salvation he brings.  
Emmanuel—  
His praises we sing.



He's the Gift of all gifts!  
His goodness is free.  
He's the Gift of all gifts,  
For you and for me!

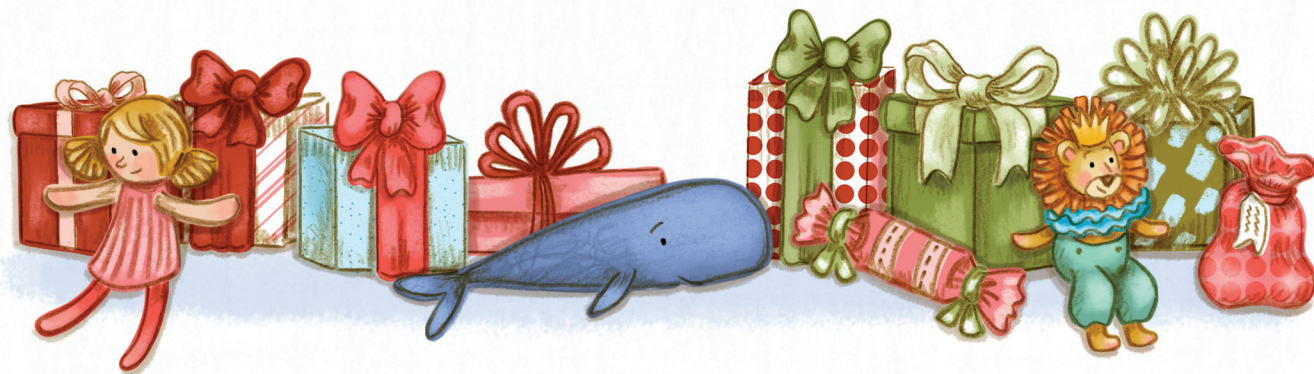


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