Mia and Leo's Advent Calendar

ADVENT 2026 · 1 TO 24 DECEMBER



1 TUE
A surprise!

2 WED
Fizzing snowmen

3 THU
A surprise!

4 FRI
Post a letter to Santa



5 SAT
Cardboard village



6 SUN
Decorate the tree

7 MON
A surprise!

8 TUE
Melting candy canes

9 WED
A surprise!

10 THU
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11 FRI
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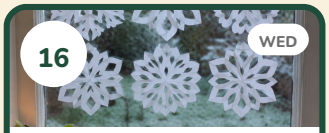


12 SAT
Star jam tarts

13 SUN
Carols or a concert

14 MON
Video call Granny and show her the tree

15 TUE
A surprise!



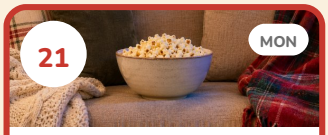
16 WED
Paper snowflakes

17 THU
A surprise!

18 FRI
Stir the Christmas cake mix and each make a wish

19 SAT
Visit Santa

20 SUN
Treats for a neighbour



21 MON
Christmas film night



22 TUE
Winter nature walk



23 WED
Gingerbread people



24 THU
Treats for Santa ★

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1 TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER

A surprise from Jingle, all the way from the North Pole.

Jingle

2 WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER

Jingle says it's time for this:

Mould little snowmen from bicarbonate of soda and a little water, then drip vinegar on them and watch them fizz.

Jingle

3 THURSDAY 3 DECEMBER

Jingle found this in Santa's workshop and thought of you.

Jingle

4 FRIDAY 4 DECEMBER

Jingle couldn't wait to tell you:

Write a short letter to Santa, then walk to the post box together and post it.

Jingle

5 SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER

Guess what Jingle has planned?

Turn boxes and toilet rolls into a tiny snowy village with windows, doors and cotton wool for snow.



Jingle

6 SUNDAY 6 DECEMBER

Jingle has a challenge for you today:

Decorate the Christmas tree together. Everyone hangs one special decoration of their own.



Jingle

7 MONDAY 7 DECEMBER

Jingle found this in Santa's workshop and thought of you.

Jingle

8 TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER

Jingle says it's time for this:

Put pieces of candy cane in warm water, cold water and oil. Guess which melts first, then watch.

Jingle

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9 WEDNESDAY 9 DECEMBER

A surprise from Jingle, all the way from the North Pole.

Jingle

10 THURSDAY 10 DECEMBER

Jingle wrapped this one specially for Mia and Leo.

Jingle

11 FRIDAY 11 DECEMBER

Jingle found this in Santa's workshop and thought of you.

Jingle

12 SATURDAY 12 DECEMBER

Jingle has a challenge for you today:

Make little jam tarts with a pastry star on top of each one.



Jingle

13 SUNDAY 13 DECEMBER

Today's idea from Jingle:

Go to a carol service, a school concert or a Christmas event near you.

Jingle

14 MONDAY 14 DECEMBER

Jingle says it's time for this:

Video call Granny and show her the tree

Jingle

15 TUESDAY 15 DECEMBER

Jingle found this in Santa's workshop and thought of you.

Jingle

16 WEDNESDAY 16 DECEMBER

Jingle couldn't wait to tell you:

Fold and cut paper snowflakes, then stick them on a window. No two will be the same.



Jingle

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17 THURSDAY 17 DECEMBER

THIS VOUCHER IS GOOD FOR

One extra bedtime story

Jingle

18 FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER

Jingle has a challenge for you today:

Stir the Christmas cake mix and each make a wish

Jingle

19 SATURDAY 19 DECEMBER

Today's idea from Jingle:

Visit Santa at a grotto or a Christmas fair. Practise what you'll say first!

Jingle

20 SUNDAY 20 DECEMBER

Jingle says it's time for this:

Bake or decorate something for a neighbour and deliver it together.

Jingle

21 MONDAY 21 DECEMBER

A note from Jingle:

Choose a Christmas film, make a den on the sofa and have a film night with popcorn.



Jingle

22 TUESDAY 22 DECEMBER

Jingle couldn't wait to tell you:

Go on a winter walk and collect pine cones, leaves and twigs for your crafts.



Jingle

23 WEDNESDAY 23 DECEMBER

Guess what Jingle has planned?

Bake gingerbread people and decorate each one to look like someone in the family.



Jingle

24 THURSDAY 24 DECEMBER

Jingle has a challenge for you today:

Put out a treat for Santa and a carrot for the reindeer. Scatter oats and seeds outside as reindeer food: no glitter, so the birds stay safe.



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The advent plan

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Tue 1 Dec	**Mini colouring book** Gift · about £1.50 each	At The Works (in shops), £1.00 on 20 November 2026.
Wed 2 Dec	**Fizzing snowmen** To do · about 20 minutes · free	You need: bicarbonate of soda, vinegar.
Thu 3 Dec	**Christmas picture book** Gift · about £3 each	At The Works (in shops), £2.00 on 20 November 2026.
Fri 4 Dec	**Post a letter to Santa** To do · about 20 minutes · free	You need: paper, an envelope, a stamp.
Sat 5 Dec	**Cardboard village** To do · about 60 minutes · free	You need: boxes, toilet rolls, felt tips, cotton wool.
Sun 6 Dec	**Decorate the tree** To do · about 60 minutes · free	
Mon 7 Dec	**Christmas stickers** Gift · about £1 each	At The Works (in shops), £2.00 on 20 November 2026.
Tue 8 Dec	**Melting candy canes** To do · about 20 minutes · costs a little	You need: a candy cane, three glasses.
Wed 9 Dec	**Mini stamp set** Gift · about £2 each	At The Works (in shops), £2.00 on 20 November 2026.
Thu 10 Dec	**Bath crayons** Gift · about £2.50 each	At Morrisons, £2.50 on 20 November 2026.
Fri 11 Dec	**Window gel stickers** Gift · about £2 each	At The Works (in shops), £2.00 on 20 November 2026.
Sat 12 Dec	**Star jam tarts** To do · about 60 minutes · costs a little	You need: ready-rolled pastry, jam, a star cutter.
Sun 13 Dec	**Carols or a concert** To do · about 60 minutes · free	If it rains: Learn a carol.
Mon 14 Dec	**Video call Granny and show her the tree** Your own idea	
Tue 15 Dec	**Mini pots of play dough** Gift · about £1 each	At The Works (in shops), £1.50 on 20 November 2026.
Wed 16 Dec	**Paper snowflakes** To do · about 20 minutes · free	You need: paper, scissors, sticky tape.
Thu 17 Dec	**Voucher: One extra bedtime story** Free voucher	Nothing to buy: the voucher card is the gift.
Fri 18 Dec	**Stir the Christmas cake mix and each make a wish** Your own idea	
Sat 19 Dec	**Visit Santa** To do · about 60 minutes · costs a little	You need: a booking (some grottos need one).

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Sun 20 Dec	**Treats for a neighbour** To do · about 60 minutes · costs a little	You need: baking ingredients, a box or bag.
Mon 21 Dec	**Christmas film night** To do · about 60 minutes · free	You need: popcorn.
Tue 22 Dec	**Winter nature walk** To do · about 60 minutes · free	You need: a bag for treasures. If it rains: Cardboard village.
Wed 23 Dec	**Gingerbread people** To do · about 60 minutes · costs a little	You need: gingerbread mix or ingredients, icing pens.
Thu 24 Dec	**Treats for Santa** To do · about 20 minutes · free	You need: a carrot, a treat for Santa, oats, seeds.

Gifts to buy

1 Dec: Mini colouring book	× 2	£1.50	£3.00
3 Dec: Christmas picture book	× 2	£3.00	£6.00
7 Dec: Christmas stickers	× 2	£1.00	£2.00
9 Dec: Mini stamp set	× 2	£2.00	£4.00
10 Dec: Bath crayons	× 2	£2.50	£5.00
11 Dec: Window gel stickers	× 2	£2.00	£4.00
15 Dec: Mini pots of play dough	× 2	£1.00	£2.00

About £26.00 in all (budget £40)

Prices are rough guides, not quotes: check the shop. Check the age on every packet, and keep small parts away from children under 3.

Things to have ready

- ☐ Bicarbonate of soda
- ☐ Vinegar
- ☐ Paper
- ☐ An envelope
- ☐ A stamp
- ☐ Boxes
- ☐ Toilet rolls
- ☐ Felt tips
- ☐ Cotton wool
- ☐ A candy cane
- ☐ Three glasses
- ☐ Ready-rolled pastry
- ☐ Jam
- ☐ A star cutter
- ☐ Scissors
- ☐ Sticky tape
- ☐ A booking (some grottos need one)
- ☐ Baking ingredients
- ☐ A box or bag
- ☐ Popcorn
- ☐ A bag for treasures
- ☐ Gingerbread mix or ingredients
- ☐ Icing pens
- ☐ A carrot
- ☐ A treat for Santa
- ☐ Oats
- ☐ Seeds

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