Years 5 & 6

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## Santa's Secret Sister

A long time ago, on the 16th of March 1010, a chubby little Santa Claus was born along with his twin sister Santabell Claus. Soon after birth she became a secret. In all Christmas carols Santa is never said to have a sister. Santabell was actually the person who named all the reindeer and gave Rudolf his notorious, red nose. But something terrible has happened . . . Santabell is M.I.A., she has disappeared! Now in 2018, Christmas Eve she is still nowhere to be seen.

Back to her brother, he is sitting in his living room stuffing his face full of pumpkin pie. But something doesn't feel right to him.

"Wife! Can you check on the reindeer?" called St. Nick.

"Okay dear, I think they might be exercising because you are eating way too much pumpkin pie!" teased Mrs Claus as she trotted over to the reindeer pen. When she arrived she was shocked! Rudolf's nose was normal, not red normal, normal normal, and that means he can't guide the sleigh tonight! Mrs Claus bolted to her husband crying, "Rudie's nose is brown, Rudie's nose is brown!" St. Nick was in disbelief.

"Really? Why that has never happened," said Mr. Claus. "This is bad, very, very bad. Only she can fix Rudie's nose," he said whilst gesturing towards the painting of his sister. "Only Santabell can fix Rudie's nose and she is nowhere to be seen!"

BANG! BANG! echoed the front door.

"I'll get it dear," sang out Mrs Claus. "Darling, how on earth did you get here?" "Why, my pig of course!"

Santa was wondering who in the North Pole was his wife talking to, then he saw her, Santabell Claus was standing in his living room!

"Oh hello, Santa Claus. I hear Rudolf's nose is normal, as in brown normal," said Santabell monotonously. Father Christmas nervously laughed and scratched his head.

"Ah...hi Sis. How has the South Pole been?"

Santabell stared at her brother. "I cannot even tell you how furious I am with you! You lied to the whole entire world saying / don't have a sister!" scolded Santabell. "Ahh, can we get to the part where you fix Rudie's nose, I have a flight in three hours!" Santa said whilst dragging his sister out the back door and towards the reindeer pen.

By this time Mrs. Claus was already in the kitchen mumbling to herself.

"What should I make now? Ohh Chocolate Reindeer Moose!" She could hear bits of the argument between her husband and sister in law.

"I'm not fixing Rudie's nose until you tell the world that you have a sister or until you get someone to write a song saying that you have a sister or both!" exclaimed Santabell. She started to storm off to her flying pig painted to look like a reindeer.

"Santabell, that will take ages. I would have to talk to all the Leaders of every country and I can only talk to those people so I can't contact song writers like Justin Beaver and Billy Eyelash! So unless pigs can fly it's not happening," stated Santa firmly.

"Well I guess you're writing a song then!" she said pointing at her pig, "because this is a flying pig!"

And she trudged off with the flick of her hair. St. Nick opened his mouth to shout at his older sister but refrained and thought about what he was going to say and called "Okay! I will write a song and it will be awesome!"

"If you say so," agreed Santabell sarcastically, then she went to the kitchen to help Mrs. Claus cook the Chocolate Reindeer Moose.

St. Nick trudged off to his Claus Cave and sat at the desk twirling his pen in his hand. He spent the next hour or so writing and then throwing out failed song attempts. Then he came across one that he liked, he sang it to the tune of *All I want for Christmas is you*.

You're gonna find out, so I'm telling you guys.
Santa Claus has a sister,
Santa Claus has a sister,
Santabell is Santa's sister!
She's disappeared, where did she go?
She has got to come back and fix Rudolf's nose!
Santa Claus has a sister,
Santa Claus has a sister,
Santa Claus has a sister,
Santabell is Santa's sister!
Santabell come back!
Santabell we need you!
Help us save Christmas.
Santabell come back!
Santabell we need you because you're Santa's sister.

Whilst Santa wrote his song all his reindeer loomed over his shoulder attempting to read their masters horrendous handwriting.

"Ahh!" shouted Santa.

"Ahhh, this is the song that will fix your nose, bud!" announced Santa proudly whilst shaking Rudolf's head. He ran out of his Claus cave and started calling to his sister, "I have it, Santabell! I have it! The song!"

"Let me look!" snapped Santabell.

He looked at his sister's face nervously and saw a smile growing bigger and bigger and bigger! Santabell wrapped her arms around her brother and whispered into his ear, "Get that reindeer ready!"

Santa was so happy he was running around, punching the air and going crazy. In fact he was so happy he ran into his wife and gave her a big kiss on the cheek. After calming down, he called his elves to get Rudie ready for his nose job and to get the sleigh ready with the other reindeers. Santabell had the elves hold Rudolf down so he wouldn't fly away. She concentrated hard and said;

"Blue and yellow, pink and red, change his nose from brown to RED!!"

A blaze of red dust went everywhere but you could see a little, faint, red light in the spot where Rudie was. Once the dust cleared, Santabell almost fainted! Rudolf was laying on the ground motionless!

"I've killed Rudie."

She turned around and she began to walk away, then she heard a soft dinging of a bell. She spun around and boy was she furious, Rudie had been playing dead! She hopped on Rudolf's back and she asked him to fly to the sleigh.

"That reindeer of yours has a really bony back. No wonder you don't ride them, pigs are a lot more comfortable!" chirped Santabell as she struggled off Rudie's uncomfortable back. Santa sighed and laughed.

"Yeah, you're not supposed to ride them Bell, you do know that?"

Santabell's cheeks blushed with embarrassment and she nodded sheepishly. Santa took Rudolf from his sister and started to do his bridle when out of the corner of his eye he could see Santabell walking over to her pig, so Santa whistled and called a bit too loud.

"You deserve a proper ride Santabell!"

Santabell whizzed around and shouted, "Bags driver's seat!"

She hopped in the driver's seat and Santa could do nothing to get her to move, so he just sat in shotgun.

Santabell was a natural sleigh flyer at birth because of her mother but had 0.0001% hand-eye coordination from the late Father Christmas, this made the first part of the trip as bumpy as an earthquake! Once she got the hang of it, she flew to all the houses one by one and Santa hopped out and delivered the presents, he also included his new single *Santabell is Santa's Sister* featuring Rudolf the red nosed reindeer, which was a huge hit!

When the duo were back at the South Pole they said their goodbye's and thank you's. Just as his sister was leaving Santa had an idea so he shouted, "Bell! I propose to you every November until Christmas you stay with us here, and there is also one more thing I have to give you!"

Santa stuck his hand into the pocket of his warm, red coat and pulled out a small box. He handed it to Santabell and she opened the lid and dug through the tissue paper to find a small bracelet with a locket attached. Inside the locket was a note saying;

Dear Santabell.

This bracelet contains the space to store your magic, hope, love, joy and peace. May all your Christmas wishes come true.

Love from your younger brother, Father Christmas.

P.S.

Happy Christmas to all and to all a goodnight.

Santabell hugged her brother as tight as she could and wiped a tear from her eye and giggled.

"Why don't you become a writer?!"

They both laughed and then Santabell hopped onto her pig and rode off into the sunrise.

The End