Trixie's Christmas Countdown



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Behind the doors

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JOKE
What do elves learn in school?
The elf-abet!

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JOKE
What is a dog's favorite Christmas song?
"Bark! The Herald Angels Sing!"

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JOKE
What do you call a dog wearing a Santa hat?
Santa Paws!

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FUN FACT
A dog's sense of smell is thousands of times better than yours. Trixie can sniff out a cookie from across the room!

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JOKE
What do you get if you cross a snowman and a dog?
Frostbite!

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FUN FACT
A dog's nose print is one of a kind, just like your fingerprint!

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FUN FACT
Some Australian Shepherds have two different colored eyes!

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JOKE
What do snowmen eat for breakfast?
Frosted Flakes!

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JOKE
What does a cat on the beach say at Christmas?
"Sandy Claws!"

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JOKE
Why was the Christmas tree bad at knitting?
It kept dropping its needles!

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JOKE
What did one snowman say to the other snowman?
"Do you smell carrots?"

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FUN FACT
Long ago, candy canes were all white. The red stripes came later!

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FUN FACT
Australian Shepherds love to have a job, like herding sheep!

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JOKE
Why did the dog sit by the woodstove?
He wanted to be a hot dog!

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JOKE
Where does a snowman keep his money?
In a snow bank!

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CHRISTMAS EVE
Merry Christmas from Trixie and Sarah!
Give someone you love a great big hug today.

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FUN FACT
Trixie is an Australian Shepherd, but her breed actually got its start in the United States!

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FUN FACT
The first Christmas cards were sent in England in 1843.

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JOKE
What does Rudolph use to count the days until Christmas?
A calen-deer!

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FUN FACT
Reindeer are the only deer where both the boys and the girls grow antlers!

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FUN FACT
Dogs dream, just like you! Twitchy paws can mean a dog is dreaming about running.

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FUN FACT
Puppies are born with their eyes closed. They open them when they are about two weeks old.

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JOKE
What do sheep say to each other at Christmas?
"Fleece Navidad!"

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FUN FACT
When Trixie was a puppy, one ear flopped down. As she grew, it stood up a little more!

How to make Trixie's Christmas Countdown

1. Print the picture page and the "Behind the doors" page. (Thicker paper works best for the picture page.)
2. Ask a grown-up to help cut along the dashed lines on three sides of each door. Leave the solid side on the left so the door can swing open.
3. Put glue on the back of the picture page, only in the spaces *between* the doors. Then press it on top of the "Behind the doors" page, lining up the edges.
4. Starting December 1, open one door each day to find a joke or a fun fact!

Trixie can't wait for Christmas. Can you? 🐾

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