

## **The Lost Collar**

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This story happened 100 years ago. It was Christmas. Three families and a dog from Norway were celebrating Christmas together. The children were very excited, that night Santa Claus would come! When the dinner finished and everyone was tired, the adults told it was the moment to go to bed. Anne, Lily and Charlotte slept in a bedroom and Milo, Ralph and Will in another one, Rufus slept with Will, her owner. When everyone was in bed, Rufus heard a strange noise coming from outside, he started barking. The children woke up.

“What was that?” asked Lily when they were all in the boys’ room.

“I don’t know” answered Will “What do you say if we go look at?”

“I’m scared” said Charlotte “What happens if it is a ghost or a big monster?”

“Don’t worry, we have Rufus” calmed Will “He will protect us”

“Ok, I’ll go with us” accepted Charlotte

The children went out in silence. Rufus went in front, then Will and Anne, in the middle were Ralph, Lily and Milo and behind was Charlotte. When they had been searching for 10 minutes and they were to stop looking for, Anne found what everyone was looking for: it looked like a dog collar but it had also many jingle bells hanging on it. It had written a name on the inside part. The name was... Santa Claus!

“I can’t believe it!” Said Anne

“Is not possible!” Said Milo

“I’m dreaming” Said Ralph

All the children were excited, they had found the Santa Claus reindeers collar! Every year, since then, at that time, they explain the same story: how they found the necklace of Santa's reindeer. That night was the best night for Anne, Lily, Charlotte, Milo, Ralph, Will and Rufus. They will never forget that adventure!