

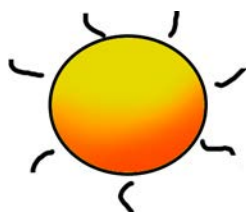
# **SANTA** in the **SUMMER**



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please note that a print version is also available.  
Search Amazon for *Santa in the Summer*.**



*For Susan*

*With special thanks to Debbie Hefke  
for bringing Summer Santa to life.*

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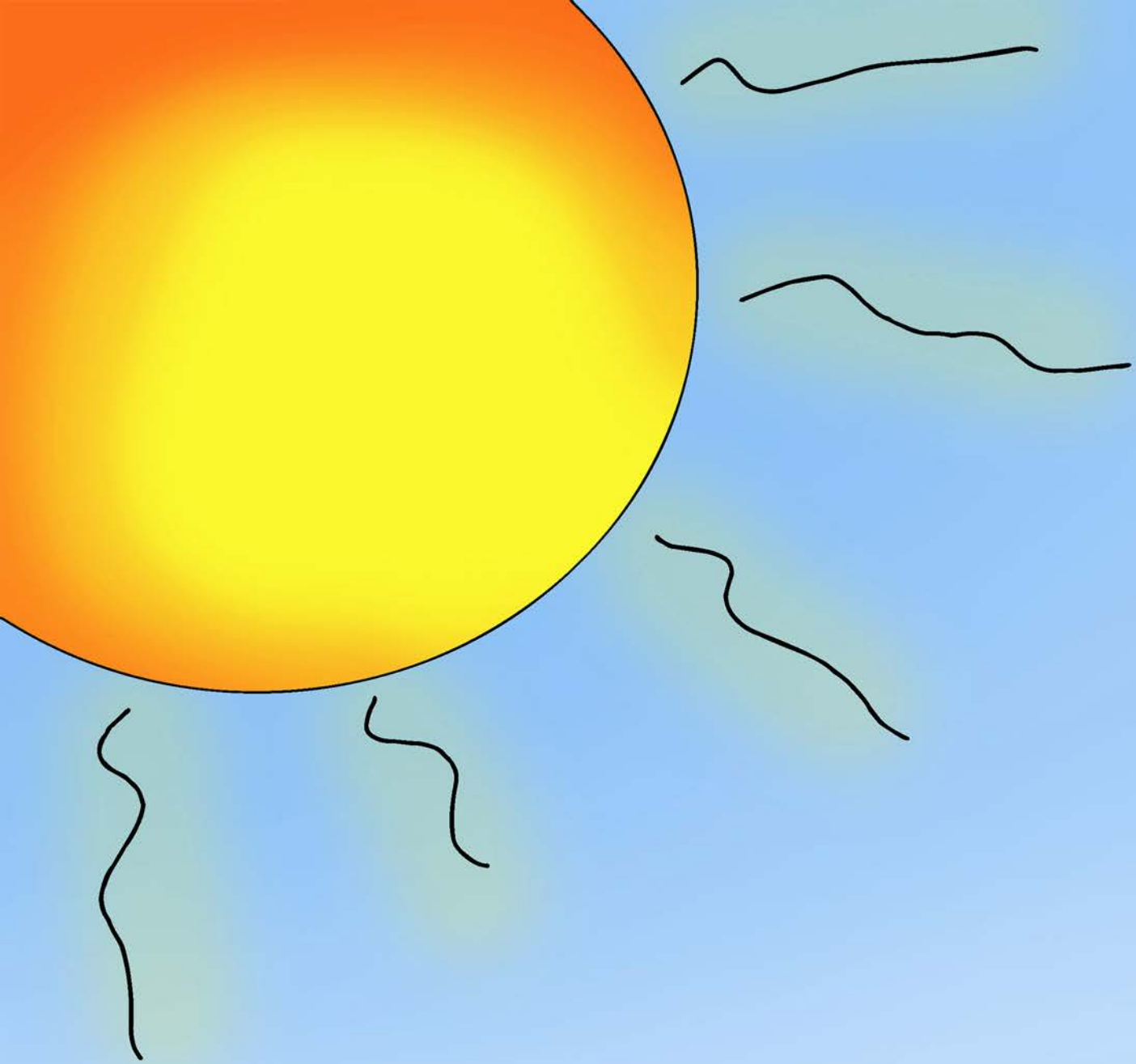
Did you ever wonder what Santa does in the summer?

We know what he does in the winter.



He brings toys to girls and boys.





But what about when the weather is fine  
and the sun is ... **HOT!**





Does he still wear  
that thick red suit?

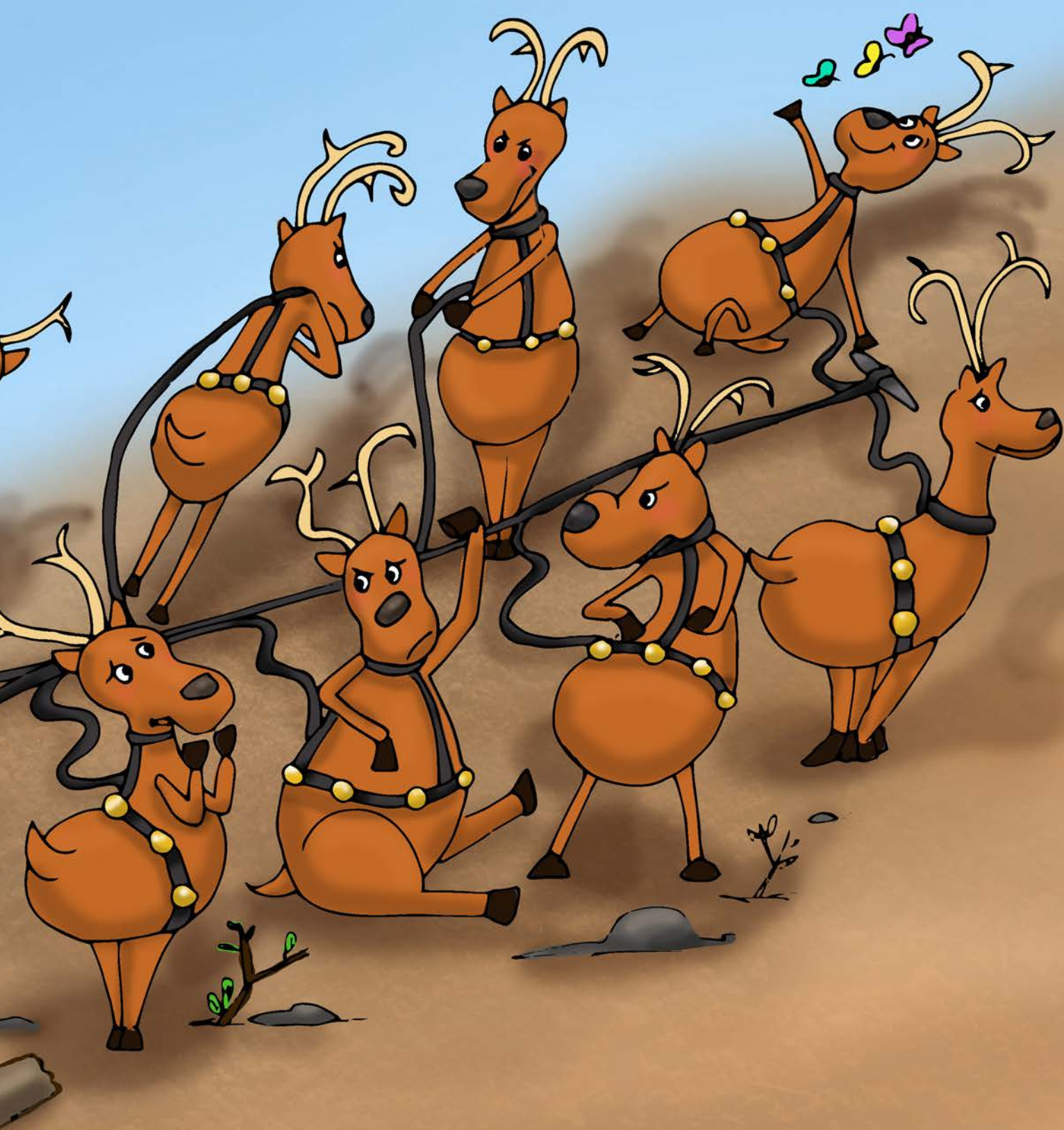
Does he still drag around that big bag?



Does he still get around in a sleigh when there's no ice and snow to ride on?







Just what DOES Santa do in the summer?

Maybe he goes to the beach ... and builds a snowman out of sand.





Maybe he goes to the country....  
and picks *delicious* berries!



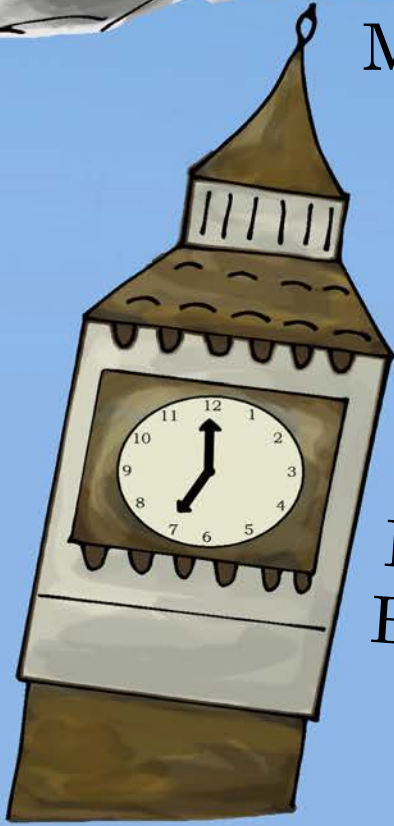
Maybe he goes sightseeing in faraway places.







Mt. Rushmore



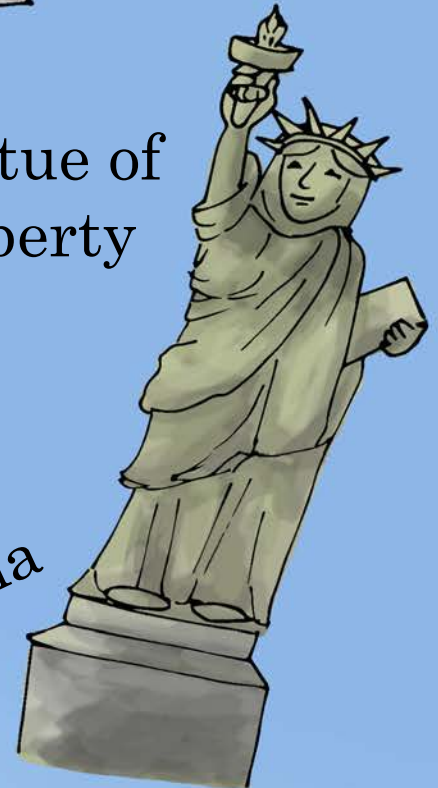
Big Ben



Eiffel Tower

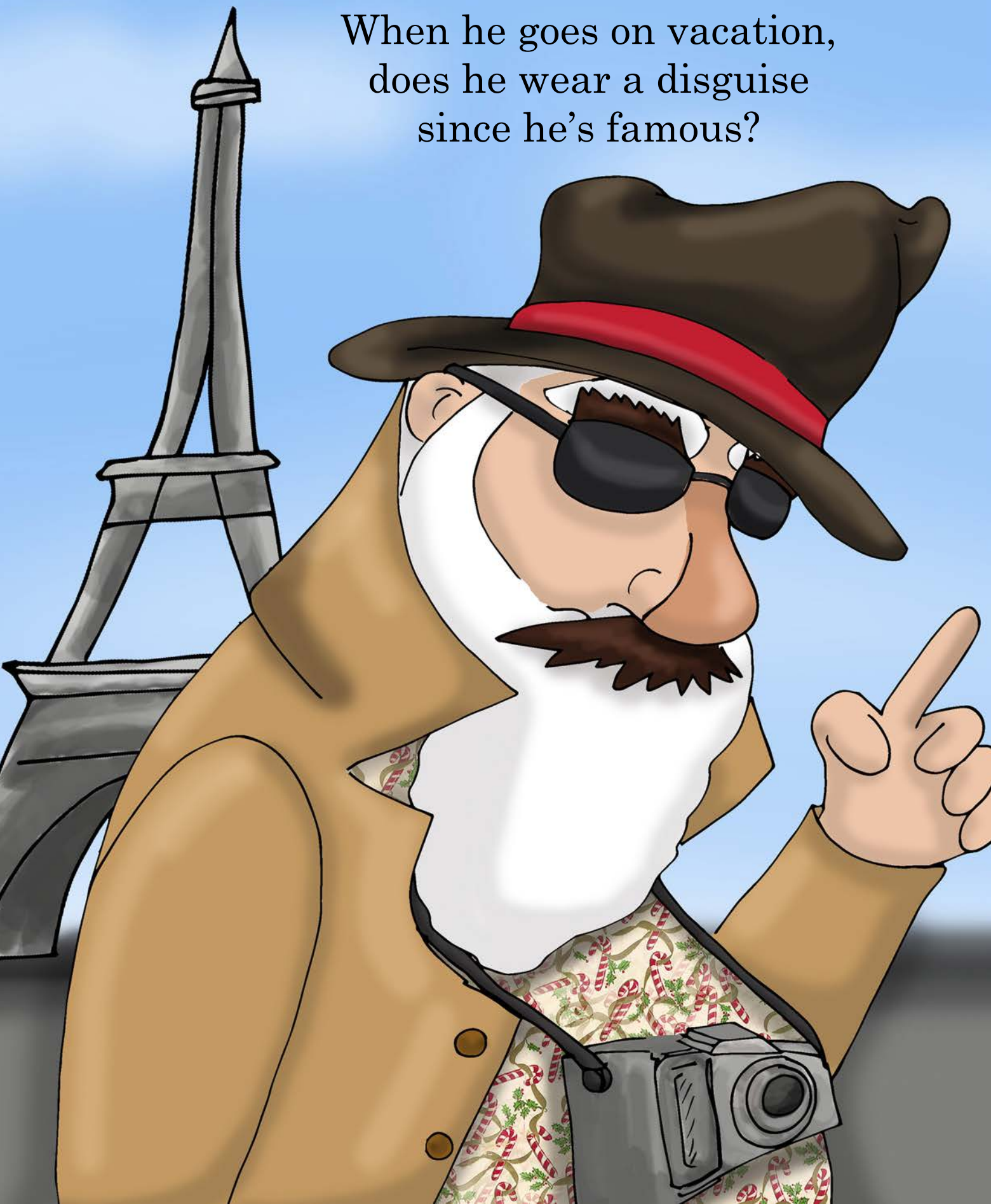


Great Wall of China



Statue of Liberty

When he goes on vacation,  
does he wear a disguise  
since he's famous?





Or does he catch up on his sleep because, in the winter, he's up all night?





Maybe Mrs. Claus sends Santa to  
day camp...





...since he's such a BIG KID!



Or maybe Santa just goes out  
in the back yard and...





...enjoys a big, sloppy burger fresh off the grill.



Whatever he does, you can be sure Santa spends some of his summer helping others...

...because love is a gift you can give all year long.





# Animal Hospital



So now that you know some things Santa does in the summer.

Can you find him?

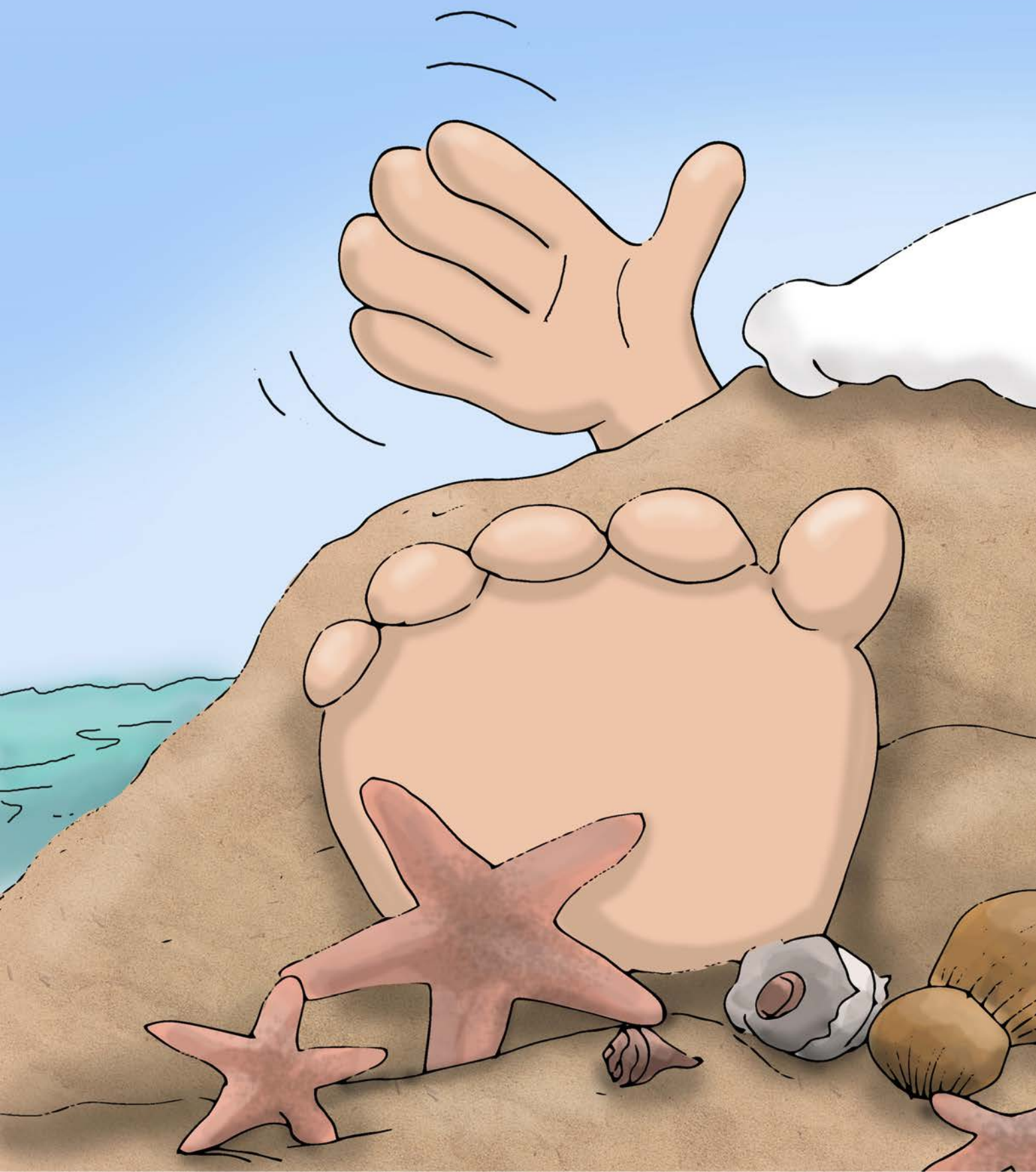
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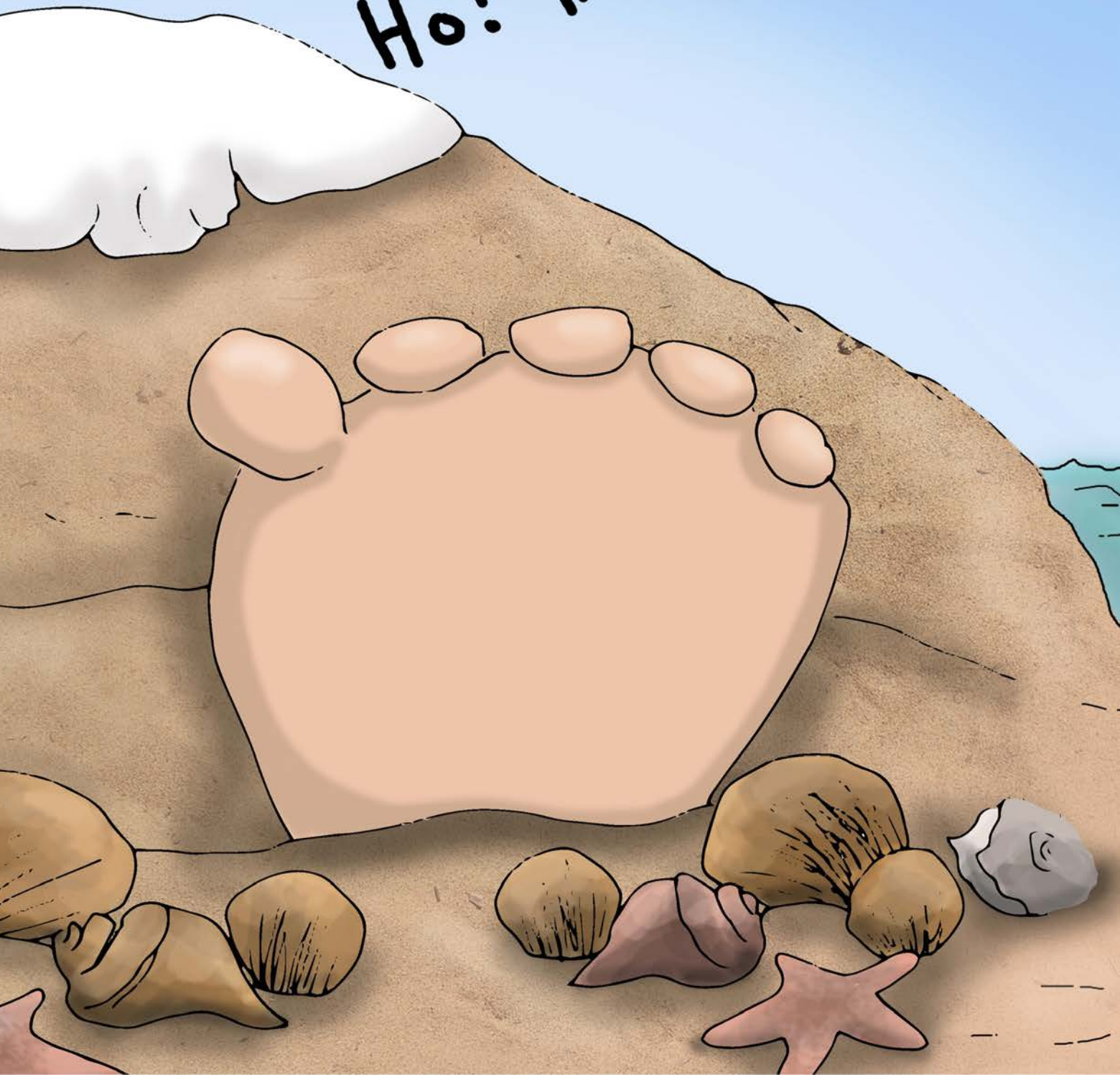




There he is!



Ho! Ho! Ho!





But even if you don't see Santa in the summer...



...don't worry, because...







You'll see him in the winter!

*Merry Christmas!*





# Things to Talk About

*Santa in the Summer is primarily a fun book, but there are important learnings that can be gained from reading it as well. You might want to try discussing these questions with your youngsters:*

1. What are some of the things Santa loves to do in the summer? What are your favorite things to do in the summer? Which do you like most? Why?
2. What does Santa do in the summer that helps others? What are some things you could do to help others?
3. Santa goes sightseeing to interesting places around the world. Have you heard of any of the places he goes? Ask your parents about them or have someone help you find out about them in books or on the Internet. Also, see where they are on a world map, compared to where you are. In what ways would you travel to get there?
4. The book tells what Santa likes to do when he's not around us. Think of your favorite cartoon characters. What do you think they are like when you don't see them? What do they like to do? Now think of some people you know but don't see all the time? What do you think their lives are like?

# About the Author



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## About North Pole Stories

*Santa in the Summer* is the first book of this new series, designed to employ one of childhood's most familiar and beloved characters, Santa Claus, along with his human and animal family and friends, to explore the world and new experiences beyond their traditional holiday time boundaries.

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