

# Einstein's Riddle: The Holiday Version

## The Setup

Five friends gathered for a holiday party, and their gifts got mixed up! Each friend lives in a different house (painted a festive color) and receives a different gift. To make it trickier, each person baked a different holiday treat and decorated their house with a unique decoration.

## Objectives

Using the clues below, determine who received the puzzle.

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## The Details

- **Friends:** Alex, Bella, Charlie, Dani, Eli
  - **House Colors:** Red, Green, Blue, Yellow, White
  - **Gifts:** Toy Train, Christmas Sweater, Book, Puzzle, Stuffed Reindeer
  - **Holiday Treats:** Gingerbread Cookies, Fruitcake, Sugar Cookies, Peppermint Bark, Hot Cocoa
  - **Decorations:** Wreath, String Lights, Nativity Scene, Snowman, Garland
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## The Clues

Note: Unlike the original Einstein's Riddle, the order of the houses has little relevance except for two homes which must be next to each other (see clue 6).

1. Alex lives in the red house.
2. The person who bakes fruitcake lives in the green house.
3. Dani decorates with string lights.
4. The person who bakes gingerbread cookies receives the stuffed reindeer.
5. The blue house owner receives the book.
6. Bella lives next to the person who decorates with a snowman.
7. The person who bakes sugar cookies receives the toy train.
8. The person who decorates with the nativity scene lives in the white house.
9. The person who bakes peppermint bark receives the Christmas Sweater.
10. The yellow house owner receives the Christmas sweater.
11. The person who receives the toy train decorates with a snowman.
12. Charlie is the one who lives in the house with wreath decorations.
13. The person who bakes hot cocoa lives in the blue house.
14. Eli lives in the house with garland decorations.
15. The person who bakes fruitcake decorates with a wreath.
16. The person who decorates with garland did not bake gingerbread.
17. Bella does not like baking or eating fruitcake.

Who received the puzzle?

Here's a grid to help you organize your answers.

Color	Person	Gift	Treat	Decoration

Answer Key:

House Color	Friend	Gift	Treat	Decoration
Red	Alex	Toy Train	Sugar Cookies	Snowman
White	Bella	Stuffed Reindeer	Gingerbread Cookies	Nativity Scene
Blue	Dani	Book	Hot Cocoa	String Lights
Green	Charlie	Puzzle	Fruitcake	Wreath
Yellow	Eli	Christmas Sweater	Peppermint Bark	Garland

Note: Houses can be in any order EXCEPT for that the white and red houses must be next to each other.