## It was the night before...

1. Proper Noun
2. Determiner
3. Proper Noun
4. Noun - Plural
5. Noun
6. Noun
7. Verb - Past Tense
8. Adjective
9. Determiner
10. Noun - Plural
11. Verb
12. Determiner
13. Determiner
14. Pronoun
15. Noun
16. Noun
17. Noun
18. Proper Noun
19. Proper Noun
20. Proper Noun
21. Proper Noun
22. Proper Noun
23. Proper Noun
24. Proper Noun
25. Proper Noun
26. Proper Noun
27. Proper Noun
28. Noun - Plural
29. Proper Noun
30. Pronoun
31. Noun
32. Proper Noun
33. Preposition Or Subordinating Conjunction
34. Adjective
35. Verb - Non 3Rd Person Singular Present
36. Noun
37. Pronoun
38. Noun
39. Noun
40. Proper Noun
41. Pronoun
42. Pronoun
43. Preposition Or Subordinating Conjunction
44. Preposition Or Subordinating Conjunction
45. Noun - Plural
46. Verb - Past Tense
47. Noun
48. Proper Noun

## It was the night before...

'Twas the night before $\qquad$ when all through the house

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;

The $\qquad$ were hung by the chimney with care,

In hopes that $\qquad$ soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,

While visions of $\qquad$ danced in their heads;

And mamma in her $\qquad$ , and I in my $\qquad$ —,

Had just settled down for a long winter's nap,

When out on the lawn there arose such a $\qquad$
sprang from the bed to see what was the $\qquad$ —.

Away to the window I flew like a $\qquad$ ,

Tore open the shutters and threw up the $\qquad$ .

The moon on the breast of the new-fallen $\qquad$

Gave the lustre of mid-day to objects $\qquad$ —,

When, what to my wondering eyes should $\qquad$ _,

But a $\qquad$ , and eight tiny $\qquad$

With a little old $\qquad$ , so lively and quick,

I knew in a moment it must be $\qquad$ .

More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,

And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;
"Now, $\qquad$ ! now, $\qquad$ ! now, $\qquad$ and $\qquad$

On, $\qquad$ ! on $\qquad$ ! on, $\qquad$ and $\qquad$

To the top of the porch! to the top of the wall!

Now dash away! dash away! dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,

When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,

So up to the house-top the coursers they flew,

With the sleigh full of $\qquad$ , and $\qquad$ too.

And then, in a $\qquad$ , I heard on the roof

The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.

As I drew in my head, and was turning around,

Down the $\qquad$ came with a bound.

He was dressed all in $\qquad$ , from his head to his foot,

And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;

A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,

And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes -- how they twinkled! his dimples how $\qquad$ !

His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a $\qquad$ !

His droll little mouth was drawn up like a $\qquad$ _,

And the beard of his chin was as white as the $\qquad$ _;

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his $\qquad$ ,

And the smoke it encircled his head like a $\qquad$ ;

He had a broad face and a little round $\qquad$ ,

That shook, when he laughed like a bowlful of $\qquad$ .

He was $\qquad$ and $\qquad$ , a right jolly old $\qquad$

And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself;

A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,

Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;

He
spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,

And filled all the $\qquad$ ; then turned with a jerk,

And laying his finger aside of his nose,

And giving a nod, up the $\qquad$ he rose;

He sprang to his $\qquad$ , to his team gave a whistle,

And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.

But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy $\qquad$ to all, and to all a good-night."

