

SANTA'S STUCK IN THE 50'S SCRIPT

Song #1: Whole Lotta Cleaning



SCENE 1

Santa: *(Entering)* What's going on here?

Mrs. Claus: Hi, Santa! We're having a big cleaning party. Didn't you hear?

Elf 1: We're cleaning out the attic.

Santa: Why that's great! Are we going to have a big garage sale?

Mrs. Claus: Well, actually, I was thinking of donating whatever still looks good to the Soft Rock Café or Planet Jollywood.

Santa: Tell me, what are you finding up there?

Elf 2: Most of the boxes seem to be left over from the 50's.

Elf 3: I guess you were expecting a bigger baby boom!

Santa: Yes, I guess I got carried away.

Mrs. Claus: *(dreamily)* Ah, the 50's!

Santa: Those were wonderful years.

Song #2: Strolling Through The 50s With You

(During song, Santa and Mrs. Claus reminisce)

Santa: I remember you'd start the day with a cup of coffee and the Today Show.

Mrs. Claus: Santa, I still do! And I still watch the Price is Right, too!

Santa: And do you remember Walt, that nice gentleman. Who invited us to California for a big Christmas parade?

Mrs. Claus: Yes, dear, that was back in 1955 when Disneyland first opened!

Santa: Hmm, I wonder if it's still there?

SCENE 2

Mrs. Claus: OK, back to work everyone!

Elf 4: Please, Santa, can we open up a few of these boxes and see what's inside?

Santa: Sure, go ahead.

Elves and reindeer start opening boxes and exclaiming their delight at the wonderful things inside! Pull out items as they are discussed.

Dasher: Look, everyone, Hula Hoops! (Hands out some to elves to try and use them)

Dancer: And I've found Barbie Dolls!

Comet: Pink plastic flamingos in here.

Elf 1: A ton of yo-yo's!

Elf 2: Looks like a thousand Mr. Potato Heads in this box.

Dancer: (*holding up a 45 RPM record*) Santa, Blitzen and I found at least seven boxes full of these things.

Cupid: Yeah, we tried to get them to play on our CD player, but they won't work. What are they?

Santa: Those are *records*! That's the way we used to listen to music in the old days.

Mrs. Claus: Santa, don't we have an old jukebox hidden away in the back storage area?

Santa: We sure do!

Mrs. Claus: Well, I've got a great idea...Let's have a celebration Saturday night...a 50s Sock Hop!

All: (*ad lib*) Yeah!...Hooray!...,Gread idea! (*etc.*)

Song #3: Rock Around the Shop Tonight

SCENE 3

Mrs. Claus: Did anyone find anything else of interest in those 50's boxes?

(*Elves may take these items out of boxes and play with them, put them on, etc.*)

Elf 1: I've got a box of books...let's see..."Cat in the Hat" by Dr. Suess. Hey! This is still a great book! Just read it the other night.

Elf 2: Wow, tons of Silly Putty

Elf 3: I've got Play-doh in here. I love this stuff.

Elf 4: Look, frisbees, every color possible. Santa, can I keep one please?

Elf 1: All kinds of games in here. Let's see...Risk, Yahtzee, Candyland. We could use these in the activity room.

Elf 2: Unbelievable collection of Matchbox cars in this box. Kids still love these!

Elf 3: My favorite....Slinkies!

Elf 4: Look at these....beanies with propellers on them! What a hoot!

Santa: *(Looking at Mrs. Claus)* Are you thinking what I'm thinking?

Mrs. Claus: Yes, dear, I think I am. There's nothing "old" about these things. They're all great gifts.

Santa: These are things kids *still* ask for on their Christmas lists!

Elf 1: Maybe we don't need to make any new toys at all! We'll just clean out the attic!

Santa: My thoughts exactly! Instead of kids concentrating on what they want, let's ask them to write us a letter which focuses on all the good things they've done this year.

Song #4: Gifts Come From The Heart

SCENE 4

(After music, light come up downstage right on Santa is being interviewed by Rock/Roxie Brockman, of WXMAS news.)

Rock/Roxie: We need to interrupt this program for a special news bulletin from WXMAS News. Rock (Roxie) Brockman here with a special report direct from Santa Claus at the North Pole. Santa says, "STOP WRITING AND SENDING CHRISTMAS LISTS!" Yes, you heard that right. Santa, what's this all about? Are you retiring this year?

Santa: On no! Don't panic, kids! It's just that I've got your gifts already figured out. You see, we cleaned out the attic and found the most amazing leftovers from the 1950s!

Rock/Roxie: Gifts from the 50's?

Santa: Yes, Rock (Roxie)> I can't believe how many of those gifts are the same things kids are still asking me for today! So, kids, instead of telling me about all the presents you want, send me a letter telling me if you've *really* been good this year.

Rock/Roxie: Thank you Santa. *(turning to the camera)* So to summarize, gift lists will be ignored. Santa has already planned a special 50's surprise for everyone who's been good. So, get busy, kids, and write to Santa about all the great things you've done this year to deserve presents. Signing off for WXMAS News, this is Rock (Roxie) Brockman.

Robin: Wow, did you hear that?

Marty: Now I really have to think back on everything I've done this year.

Chris: I don't think I've been bad, but I'm having trouble coming up with any good things. Maybe I should quick go out and do some!

Pat: I think that's Santa's point, Chris. He wants us to be good *all year long*.

Chris: Yeah, well he's caught me off guard!

Robin: Come on, let's work on our letters.

(Kids pull out clipboards and pencils and pretend to write during the song.)

Song #5: Santa Be Good to Me

SCENE 5

Elf 1: *(dragging a huge bag of letters)* Santa, the response to your news bulletin has been incredible!

Santa: Well, yes, it has renewed my faith in the goodness of children everywhere! They really are taking the time to be nice.

Mrs. Claus: Since they're not worried about WHAT they're getting for Christmas, they can really focus on WHY they're getting it.

Elf 2: And I know that the kids will really like all these great gifts left over from the fabulous 50s!

Elf 4: Look, frisbees, every color possible. Santa, can I keep one please?

Santa: Looks like it's gonna be a rockin' Christmas all the way around this year! Come on, everybody, let's load up the sleigh. I'm ready to start rockin' down all those chimneys! HO! HO! HO!

Song #6: Rockin' Down the Chimney Tonight!