PLAYER 1 / READ TOGETHER

The Welcome Window

A complete Christmas mini-game for ages 4+ with an adult reader. Three player pages; adult hints and answers are on page 4.

A note from the paper-post courier

A welcome card is ready, but its address has smudged! Help me find the right house before I deliver it. Start with my sorting tag below. Its next shape tells you which path to follow on page 2.

Keep this clue for page 3: the house has a STRIPED DOOR.

COURIER SORTING TAG

Continue the repeating picture pattern.

Circle the matching route symbol below.

CIRCLE

STAR

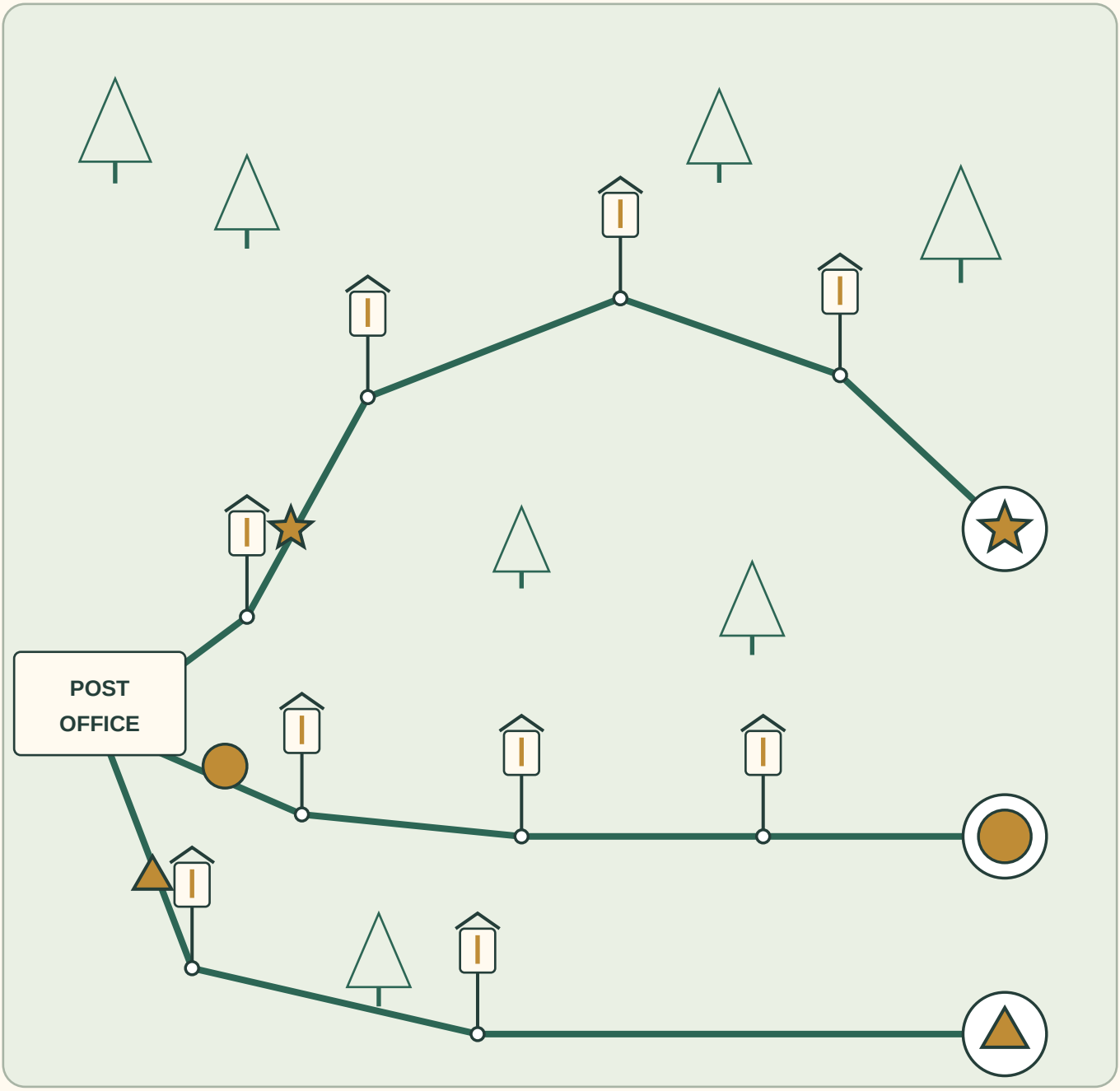
TRIANGLE

Then follow that symbol on the map. Keep this page.

PLAYER 2 / FOLLOW THE MATCHING PATH

The courier route map

Use your answer from page 1. Trace only that symbol's path from the post office to its stop. Count the lantern posts touching that path.



Lanterns on our path: _____

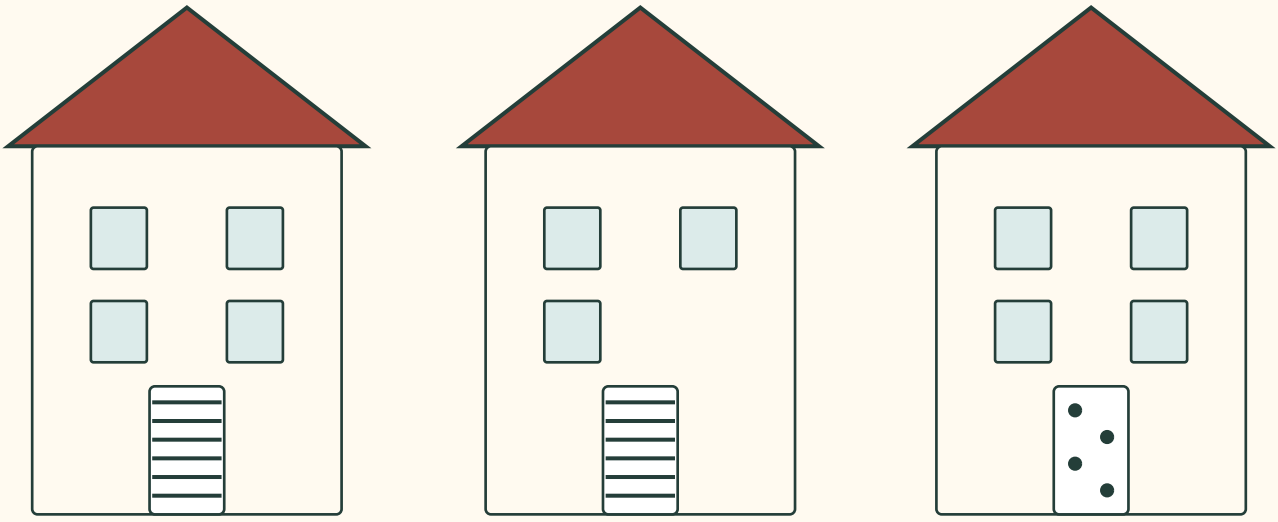
Keep the number. It tells you how many windows to find.

PLAYER 3 / USE BOTH CLUES

Find the welcome house

The lantern number is the number of windows on the house. Check the door clue on page 1 too. Only one house matches both clues.

CHRISTMAS VILLAGE / DELIVERY REGISTER



BIRCH **WILLOW** **CEDAR**

Circle your house. Point to its windows and door, and explain how they match your two clues. Ask your adult reader to check page 4.

THE WELCOME CARD

Once your choice is checked, draw a little star in the empty frame. Say "Welcome, Christmas!" together. Your courier has delivered the card and the game is complete.

YOUR STAR

ADULT READER / KEEP SEPARATE

Hints, answers & ending

Read this page first if you are helping. Keep it off the player table. This is the complete solution guide for this free mini-game.

Prepare one edition

Print pages 1-3 single-sided at actual size, on matching A4 or US Letter paper. Keep this fourth page with the adult reader, on paper or a separate device. Bring a pencil. No cutting, locks or timer are needed.

Help without rushing

Read the story and exact instructions aloud. Players can point, count or speak instead of writing. Offer the hint first; if needed, explain the answer and move on together. A reader can help one child or a household group.

1 / Pattern: STAR

Hint: name the two shapes that repeat. The row is circle, star, circle, star, circle. A star comes next. Circle STAR and follow the star-marked path on page 2. Keep the striped-door clue.

2 / Route: FOUR LANTERNS

Hint: begin at POST OFFICE and follow only the path marked with a star. Four lantern posts touch that upper path. Count each post once. The other paths have three and two; they do not count.

3 / House: BIRCH

Hint: use both clues, not only the window number. Birch has four windows and a striped door. Willow has three windows; Cedar has four windows but a dotted door. Only Birch matches both clues.

Finish the delivery

Once Birch is checked, invite the players to draw a star on the welcome card and say "Welcome, Christmas!" The delivery is complete. There is no missing online step, payment or secret final page.

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