

Story for Ornament Exchange or Gift Exchange Party

INSTRUCTIONS: Party guests sit in a circle and the host reads the story aloud. When the word “**left/Lefty**” is said, pass your gift to the person on your left. When the word “**right/Write**” is said, pass your gift to the person on the right. When the word “**gift**” is said skip the person next to you and pass your gift to the next person on your left.

IMPORTANT: If the story ends and the guests happen to have the same gift they brought, add this final line to the story:

“All that is **left** to do is open the gift you’re holding.”

And guests will pass their gift to the left.

The Story of Lefty, the White Elephant

Christmas was almost here, and **Lefty**, the White Elephant was finishing what was **left** on his Christmas shopping list. **Lefty** was looking for just the **right** white elephant **gift**. **Lefty's** father suggested that he should head **right** over to the mall to find a huge selection of **gifts**.

As **Lefty** walked down the **right** concourse he found one of the **gifts** he was looking for sitting **right** in front of the toy store entrance and it seemed like there was only one **left**. **Right** after **Lefty** entered the store he realized that he had **left** his wallet in the trunk. But as you know one of the greatest **gifts** of being an elephant is that your trunk is **right** in front of your face.

Once **Lefty** had found his wallet he marched **right** up to the cashier and put his white elephant **gift** on the counter **right** next to the cash register. To his amazement **Lefty's** old circus trainer friend Suzie **Wright** was the cashier.

Suzie had **left** the circus a few months earlier to take a job as the mall **gift** wrapper. Even though the **Wright** family owned the circus, Suzie had felt that it was the **right** time to leave and take a job in the **gift** industry. Working in the mall gave Miss **Wright** the opportunity to meet all the **right** people to help her advance her career. **Lefty** was impressed that she had found a cashier job soon after leaving the **gift** wrapping position.

Like the rest of the **Wright** family, Suzie was a **gifted** individual and **Lefty** was so happy that he was now in the **right** place at the **right** time to meet Miss **Wright** once again. As **Lefty** gathered his **gift** he shyly asked Suzie how many hours she had **left** on her shift. Miss **Wright** explained that she was off **right** after 2, but then needed to get one more **gift** that was **left** on her white elephant **gift** exchange shopping list.

Lefty mustered every bit of courage that he had **left** and asked Suzie if he could accompany her on her **gift** shopping task **right** after work. Miss **Wright** smiled, said yes and handed **Lefty** her phone number on the back of an expired Home Depot **gift** card she had **left**-over from a recent remodeling project at her condo that is located **right** next to **Lefty's** favorite bistro.

After leaving the store **Lefty** could hardly wait to see Suzie, but he still had one more **gift left** on his list. He knew that if he was to give Miss **Wright** the **right** amount of attention in her **gift** shopping efforts he would need to pick the **right** time to finish his shopping and he only had a couple of hours **left** to finish.

Right before 2 pm **Lefty** came back to Miss **Wright's** store for their **gift** shopping date. Suzie and **Lefty** enjoyed what was **left** of the afternoon exploring the **gift** shops of the mall to find the **right gift** for the **Wright** family **gift** exchange. To make a long story short, **Lefty** and Miss **Wright** fell in love, married and had several little **lefty's**, making