

# The Mouse In Santa's House

## SCENE ONE

*Lights come up over the whole stage to reveal Santa's workshop. Elves enter carrying presents, busying themselves here, there and everywhere. They then form a production line, passing presents from one to another as they load Santa's sleigh and Crinkle steps forward, speaking directly to the audience.*

*As he does so, Tip the mouse appears, darting about the workshop.*

**Crinkle**      There once was a mouse  
                    Who lived in a house,  
                    Santa's house all covered in snow.  
                    But it was warm on the inside,  
                    As warm as a glove,  
                    And was filled full of smiling  
                    And filled full of love.

*Tip scurries in front of him as Crackle takes over the narration.*

**Crackle**      Tip was this mouse  
                    And he ran through the house,  
                    Peeping round corners, running upstairs,  
                    Jumping on tables, jumping on chairs.  
                    While the elves, hard at work, moving forwards and back,  
                    Put wonderful presents inside Santa's sack.

*One of the elves (Banjo) shouts out to Noodle*

**Banjo**        Come on, Noodle, speed up!

*Noodle slowly picks up a present and puts it onto the sleigh.*

**Noodle**      I'm going as fast as I can, Banjo.

**Randle**      Call that fast? I've just seen a snail run past you!

**Noodle** You can talk, Randle. If you got any slower, you'd stop and fall asleep!

**Banjo** Alright you two, that's enough arguing. What we need is a good old sing song to help us with our work.

**Randle/Noodle** (*together and shaking hands*) Good idea!