

The Christmas & the Dinosaur

Part 1: The Bauble

In the riverside town of Zhuwei, Taiwan, Christmas was usually quiet. But one December, a tall Christmas tree appeared in the **town square**.

The boys had never seen such a tree before. Looking at the **decorations** on the tree, Rex, a **curious** 10-year-old boy, noticed a glowing bauble.

He whispered, "I wish for a magical Christmas this year!"

Harry, the old noodle seller at the square, smiled and said, "This **bauble** is special. Touch it, and you may see a **miracle**."

New Words

Town square

Definition: The open space in the middle of a town.

Example: Families met in the town square to see the Christmas tree.

Decorations

Definition: Things used to make a place look special.

Example: The dinosaur helped hang decorations with its tail..

Bauble

Definition: A small, shiny decoration for a Christmas tree.

Example: The glowing bauble looked magical.

Miracle

Definition: Something amazing that seems impossible.

Example: People said the dinosaur was a Christmas miracle.

Part 2: The Dinosaur Appears

That night, Rex went back with his friends, Kai and Ariel. He touched the bauble, and the whole tree **sparkled**. Lights spread across the streets of Zhuwei.

Then, with a loud **ROAR**, a giant dinosaur appeared beside the tree! Its teeth looked sharp, and its eyes glowed red like Christmas **lanterns**.

They all jumped back, half scared and half amazed. The dinosaur **stamped** its feet, shaking the ground. But instead of attacking, it chased them playfully through the square.

"Run!" shouted Rex, laughing as the dinosaur roared again.

New Words

Sparkle

Definition: To shine with small bright lights.

Example: The tree sparkled when Rex touched the bauble

Lantern

Definition: A light inside a box or cover, often used in festivals.

Example: The dinosaur's eyes glowed red like lanterns.

Roar

Definition: A very loud sound made by an animal.

Example: The dinosaur gave a big roar.

Stamp

Definition: To hit the ground hard with your foot.

Example: The dinosaur stamped its feet and shook the ground.

Part 3: A Scary-Fun Christmas

The next day, everyone gathered in the square. The dinosaur was still there, stomping and roaring, but now it carried children on its back and helped hang decorations with its long tail.

Everyone said, "It's a Christmas miracle!"

That evening, Rex looked at the glowing bauble again. Inside it, he saw a tiny light flicker, as if someone was watching over his wish.

He smiled and **whispered**, "Thank you, magic bauble... and thank you, scary-fun Christmas dinosaur. This is the best Christmas ever!"

- **Whisper**

Definition: To speak very softly.

Example: Rex whispered his wish to the bauble.

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