

Christmas at Betsy McCall's



I've been saving my allowance money to buy presents for the twins. I got Merry a woolly lamb and Kerry a fluffy dog. And some darling bath toys. And a pink bow for Merry's hair. Mommy has been buying them loads of things. Daddy, too. And Grandma McCall sent some little socks she had knitted, and even my cousin Linda sent them lollipops. Mommy was going to put everything on the big tree, but Daddy said, "They're such tiny little things, they'll be lost on the big tree. What about giving each of the twins a baby-size tree?" It was a scrumptious idea. Mommy bought two little artificial trees and tied on all the gifts, with pink or blue bows, and they really looked adorable. But weren't we ever surprised on Christmas Day! The twins started crawling like little crabs—not toward their own little trees, but toward the big family tree. They poked around in the presents at the foot of the family tree. They slish-sloshed right through the Christmas wrappings and had such a wonderful time and looked so cute, with bits of paper and bows and tinsel stuck all over them, that nobody minded a bit. I got loads of lovely presents. But I really truly think that the best gift of all is the TWINS. This is the first Christmas I have ever had a sister and a brother, and I still can't believe it. Oh, I nearly forgot! All the grown-ups want to wish you and your family a Happy Holiday. And the twins and I wish everybody a *Kerry Merry Christmas!*



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