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Clifford’s First Christmas

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Clifford was a tiny puppy.

He had never seen a Christmas tree before.
Emily Elizabeth held down a branch for Clifford to hang a candy cane but her hand slipped.
Clifford landed on the top of the Christmas tree.

Dad had to rescue Clifford.
Emily Elizabeth and Clifford finished decorating the Christmas tree.

The Christmas tree looked beautiful.
Emily Elizabeth wrapped gifts and Clifford helped her.

Then Emily Elizabeth and Clifford went to bed.
Clifford could not fall asleep. He went out to look around.

Clifford fell in Emily Elizabeth's stocking.
Santa came down the chimney. He found Clifford in Emily Elizabeth’s stocking.
Santa told Emily Elizabeth to go back to sleep so he could deliver our presents.
The next morning Emily Elizabeth and Clifford woke up to lots of presents for everybody.
Clifford was just the right size for Emily Elizabeth's toy car.

Clifford crashed into all the new toys.
Clifford liked all of his presents and Emily Elizabeth's too.

Clifford really liked the doll house and the small train.
Even though Clifford is big now, he is still Emily Elizabeth's special Christmas puppy.