

# THE HOLLY HOTEL

“Dasher! Dancer! Time to get up! We need you—the Nice List is long this year.”

“Come on, Santa! Just a little more sleep. Can’t you get started without us? We’ll catch up with you halfway.”

“Really? It would be unfair *and* lazy of you...”

Cosmetics entrepreneur Lauder

Alloy of iron and carbon

Country where Farsi is the official language

Activated a doorbell

Door-to-wall connectors

Swallow

Dull, persistent pains

Game with knights and bishops

Famous British boarding school

R&B singer Braxton

First word of *A Visit from St. Nicholas*

Cleanse

② German grandfathers

Throw, as in American football

Gray wolf

Double-reed woodwind instrument

Impede

SI unit of electric current

Long Japanese mushroom

Maker of famously indestructible cell phones

Obnoxiously rub in a victory

Reluctant

Orange spice

Insult

① Ripped into pieces

Classic cookie common in crosswords

③ Sharp stick used for fishing

Mollusk’s treasure

Walking unevenly, often due to injury

Encroach

