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**The Runaway Christmas Donkey**

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**An uproariously funny family adventure with a Christmas setting, narrated in a fresh and authentic voice.**

Just four days to go until Christmas. With the Gregorians, the pre-Christmas chaos has well and truly set in: Mira won't stop whining because she's worried that she won't get a pet again, Selina is scheming how to get her relatives to give her money instead of another knitted jumper, and mum Elli wants to involve everyone in her festive baking frenzy. Then they see the headline in the news paper: 'Donkey Disappears from the Living Nativity Scene – Mühlenhof Offers Reward!' For once, the sisters agree: they have to find the Christmas donkey!



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