



RS#3 Miss Shields

Start —

MISS SHIELDS (prim, stuffy). Good morning, class.

KIDS (in muffled, unenthused voices). Good morning, Miss Shields.

MISS SHIELDS. Children. Our first activity of the day will be an in-class theme—

(The KIDS groan.)

MISS SHIELDS (cont'd). Entitled: "What I Want for Christmas."

(The KIDS perk up, excited. Especially RALPHIE.)

(#5b: "What I Want for Christmas")

JEAN (pleased with his luck). I had found another way!

MISS SHIELDS. And, as always, I expect good penmanship, careful conjugation, proper punctuation and close attention to the margins. Margins ... (Frustration boils over, directed at RALPHIE.) MARGINS! You may begin.

End

(MISS SHIELDS discretely takes a book from her desk and begins to read. The KIDS pull out their notebooks and pencils and begin to write.)