

**THE**  
**CHRISTMAS**  
**TREE** **THAT**  
**CHANGED**  
**THE** **WORLD**

**A NORTH POLE TRADITION**

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There once was a young evergreen tree named Spruce and a spotted puppy named Holly. They were happy and kind and were great friends. They lived in Christmastown at the North Pole.

Spruce and Holly's favorite thing to do was to feel the warmth of the sunshine and talk about important things.



“Christmas is coming soon,” said Spruce. “How can we decorate my branches in a special way?”

Holly thought about special things and replied, “What if we place an ornament on a branch after one of us does a kind act?”

Spruce was very excited about this idea but paused and said, “That is a lot of kind acts. Do you think we can do it?”





to  
Santa

The snowman that lived near Spruce shouted,  
“You can’t! You are just a little tree and a puppy.”  
Spruce and Holly were speechless.



Then they thought about kind acts and Christmas.

“Yes, we can!” cried Spruce. Holly jumped up and added,  
“When we finish, we’ll make Santa’s Nice list too!”

They couldn’t wait to get started.





Spruce remembered that the chestnut bunnies had lost their home in a storm. He offered them a comfy space nestled in the hidden hole near his trunk.

The bunnies hopped and danced around Spruce and helped place the first ornament on one of Spruce's branches.



