

JOYCE HANNAM

---

# Christmas in Prague



OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS

سرشناسه : هانام، جویس  
 Hannam, Joyce  
 عنوان و نام پدیدآور : Christmas in prague/ Joyce Hannam  
 مشخصات نشر : تهران: زبان مهر: هومن، ۱۳۸۹ = ۲۰۱۰ م.  
 مشخصات ظاهری : ۵۶ ص.  
 فهرست : Oxford book worms library/ series editor Jennifer Bassett; stage 1  
 وضعیت فهرست نویسی : فبا  
 یادداشت : انگلیسی  
 یادداشت : افسست لز روی چاپ ۱۹۹۷: دانشگاه آکسفورد  
 آوانویسی عنوان : کریسمس این...  
 موضوع : زبان انگلیسی -- کتابهای فرائت (ابتدایی)  
 موضوع : زبان انگلیسی -- راهنمای آموزشی (ابتدایی)  
 رده بندی کنگره : PE1119/۹۲۶۳۲ ۱۳۸۹  
 رده بندی دیویی : ۲۲۸/۶۲  
 شماره کتباتشناسی ملی : ۱۹۸۹۷۱۷



انتشارات زبان مهر

## Christmas in Prague

ناشر: انتشارات زبان مهر-هومن

تیراژ: ۵۰۰۰ جلد

نوبت چاپ: اول ۱۳۸۹

قیمت: ۱۸۰۰۰ ریال

مرکز پخش: میدان انقلاب - خ. کارگر جنوبی - بین روان مهر و لبافی دژاد - روی بروی پستال مهستان - پ ۱۲۵۱ - واحد ۲  
 تلفن: ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۸ - ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۹ - ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۸ - ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۹ - ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۸ - ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۹ - ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۸ - ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۹  
 فروشگاه شماره ۱: میدان انقلاب - خ. کارگر جنوب شرقی میدان - پلاک ۱۵۳۸ - فروشگاه زبان مهر تلفن: ۶۶۹۷۰۷۹۸  
 فروشگاه شماره ۲: فارمک - خ. آیت گلین در از لیسگاه دفتر - پ ۵۰۶ - تلفن: ۷۷۹۰۹۳۷۳

## CHRISTMAS IN PRAGUE

Do you know everything about your family – your parents, your grandparents, your brothers or sisters, your uncles or aunts? Does your family know everything about you? All families have secrets – they can be big secrets, small secrets, things to laugh about, things to cry about.

Jan lives in Oxford with his English wife Carol, and his father Josef, who is Czech. Jan was born in Prague, but he came to England with his father when he was a baby. He never knew his mother – she died soon after he was born. And he knows nothing about her because his father never talks about her. But Josef still carries a photograph of his wife in his pocket – after all these years.

Carol plays the harp in an orchestra, and the orchestra is giving some concerts in Prague at Christmas. Carol wants to go, and she wants Jan and Josef to go too. 'Prague is a wonderful place,' she says, 'for a family Christmas.'

But there are family secrets waiting for them in Prague – wonderful secrets, happy secrets, and very sad secrets . . .

# OXFORD

UNIVERSITY PRESS

Great Clarendon Street, Oxford OX2 6DP

Oxford University Press is a department of the University of Oxford.  
It furthers the University's objective of excellence in research, scholarship,  
and education by publishing worldwide in

Oxford New York

Auckland Cape Town Dar es Salaam Hong Kong Karachi

Kuala Lumpur Madrid Melbourne Mexico City Nairobi

New Delhi Shanghai Taipei Toronto

With offices in

Argentina Austria Brazil Chile Czech Republic France Greece

Guatemala Hungary Italy Japan Poland Portugal Singapore

South Korea Switzerland Thailand Turkey Ukraine Vietnam

OXFORD and OXFORD ENGLISH are registered trade marks of  
Oxford University Press in the UK and in certain other countries

This edition © Oxford University Press 2008

The moral rights of the author have been asserted

Database right Oxford University Press (maker)

First published in Oxford Bookworms 1997

2 4 6 8 10 9 7 5 3 1

## No unauthorized photocopying

All rights reserved. No part of this publication may be reproduced,  
stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted, in any form or by any means,  
without the prior permission in writing of Oxford University Press,  
or as expressly permitted by law, or under terms agreed with the appropriate  
reprographics rights organization. Enquiries concerning reproduction  
outside the scope of the above should be sent to the ELT Rights Department,  
Oxford University Press, at the address above

You must not circulate this book in any other binding or cover  
and you must impose this same condition on any acquirer

Any websites referred to in this publication are in the public domain and  
their addresses are provided by Oxford University Press for information only.  
Oxford University Press disclaims any responsibility for the content

ISBN 978 0 19 478902 8

A complete recording of this Bookworms edition of  
*Christmas in Prague* is available on audio CD ISBN 978 0 19 478837 3

Printed in Hong Kong

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Illustrated by: Paul Dickinson

Word count (main text): 4720 words

For more information on the Oxford Bookworms Library,  
visit [www.oup.com/elt/bookworms](http://www.oup.com/elt/bookworms)

# CONTENTS

STORY INTRODUCTION	i
1 Christmas 1957	1
2 England 1995	5
3 The accident	10
4 Nobody understands Carol	18
5 Some visitors for Carol	23
6 Who is Pavel?	28
7 The music must come first	35
GLOSSARY	40
ACTIVITIES: Before Reading	44
ACTIVITIES: While Reading	46
ACTIVITIES: After Reading	48
ABOUT THE AUTHOR	52
ABOUT THE BOOKWORMS LIBRARY	53