

## ACTIVITIES

### *After Reading*

- 1 In *The Christmas Presents*, perhaps Jim thought about his present for Della on his way home from work. Complete the text with these words. (Use one word in each gap.)

*beautiful, because, belonged, chain, combs, do, door, face, feeling, fine, grey, home, important, long, love, must, no, opens, present, sell, use, when, without*

Well, it's a cold, \_\_\_\_\_ night again, but I'm \_\_\_\_\_ great. I'm going \_\_\_\_\_ to Della, and I've got a wonderful Christmas \_\_\_\_\_ for her. I didn't want to \_\_\_\_\_ my gold watch, \_\_\_\_\_ it was so special to me. I was only eighteen \_\_\_\_\_ my father gave it to me, and before that it \_\_\_\_\_ to my grandfather. But what could I \_\_\_\_\_? I had \_\_\_\_\_ money, and Della \_\_\_\_\_ have a present – Christmas \_\_\_\_\_ presents is terrible! I couldn't \_\_\_\_\_ the watch very often because I don't have a \_\_\_\_\_ for it. And Della is more \_\_\_\_\_ than a gold watch – I wanted to buy her something really \_\_\_\_\_, something to show how much I \_\_\_\_\_ her. I know she wants these \_\_\_\_\_, and they'll look \_\_\_\_\_ in her \_\_\_\_\_ brown hair. I can't wait to see her \_\_\_\_\_ when she \_\_\_\_\_ my present. Ah, here's my front \_\_\_\_\_ now . . .