

Dear Santa, I Know It Looks Bad But It Wasn't My Fault!**Norma Lewis****Olivia Beckman, Illustrator**

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With Christmas right around the corner, Scalawag the cat pens a series of entertaining notes highlighting the nice intentions behind a year's worth of naughty deeds, hoping to convince Santa that it wasn't his fault the bird escaped, the pitcher got stuck on his head, or the tree caught fire. Look for dozens of colorful patchwork toy mice and one frisky feline as the hijinks escalate in this playful holiday tale with a warm, heartfelt message.

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