2. Complete Elfin's message to his parents.

Dear Mum and Dad,
Yesterday ...
Now I've got three magic pearls!
Your son,
Elfin



went • saw • took • found • pulled • caught

Lesson 8. Project "My favourite holiday"

- 1. What special day does she write about?
- 2. Who does she celebrate it with?
- 3. What do her parents, relatives and friends say?

This is a special day for me. It begins¹ in the morning. When I get up, I see a beautiful present and a card from my parents. I am very happy.



I usually invite my friends and relatives to celebrate this day with me and my family.

After lunch we begin to lay the table for the party. Usually, my mum cooks the holiday dinner. My granny helps her. They

¹ **begin** [bɪˈgɪn] – начинать, начинаться

can cook very well. It takes time, but it's better than in a café. I always help them to lay the table. It's OK, because I like spending time with my mum and granny.





At 5 p.m. my friends and relatives come. They give me presents, cards and wish me happiness. I thank them and invite them to dinner.

To finish dinner, my dad brings a cake with lit candles. When I blow out the candles¹, my parents, friends and relatives say: "Happy ...!"





After tea and cake we listen to music, play games, dance and sing karaoke [ˌkæriˈəʊki]. It's fun! We are happy.

light (зажигать) - lit

1b. In pairs read about the following:

- 1) the beginning of the special day;
- 2) preparation² for the celebration [ˌselɪˈbreɪʃ(ə)n];
- 3) celebration;
- 4) impressions³ of the special day.

¹ blow out the candles – задувать свечи

 $^{^{2}}$ **preparation** [prepared (ə)n] — подготовка

³ **impression** [ɪm¹pre∫(ə)n] – впечатление

- 2. Write a letter to any textbook character(s) about your favourite special day. Use the plan from ex. 1b.
 - ✓ Choose the day you want to write about.
 - ✓ Make your own **Help Box**: write out key words for each part of your story. Use ex. 1a (Lesson 8) and ex. 1 (Lesson 2), e.g.
- Begin a week before it, invite ..., send cards, think about ...
 - ✓ Write your letter, e.g.
- My special day begins a week before it. I invite my friends and relatives. I buy, write and send cards to them.
 Then I think about the dinner (the presents).
 - ✓ Read your letter and correct your mistakes.
 - ✓ Hand it in to the teacher.

Lesson 9. Christmas fun

1. Sing the song.

Dashing through the snow In a one-horse open sleigh¹, O'er the fields we go, Laughing all the way². Bells on bobtail ring³,

Making spirits bright⁴.



 $^{^{1}}$ sleigh [slei] — сани

² Laughing [la:fiŋ] all the way – Смеясь всю дорогу

 $^{^3}$ Bells on bobtail ring — Звенят колокольчики на хвосте (лоша ∂u)

⁴ Making spirits bright – Поднимая настроение