

Christmas has come,
there's gifts under the tree!
Josh and Ryley sat down
wondering what they could be.

They each got a bag
to fly Bucket List style,
but were sad they can't use them
(at least not for a while)



But in with the packs
was a note and a clue.
There seemed to be more
to this gift than they knew.

“Can’t wait for a trip,”
they each thought to themselves,
as they got up and went
to look on the hall shelf...

The next gift they found
was so boring at first;
But their mouths began smiling
as they read the words

Seemed a theme was emerging,
those bags were a clue!
Could a trip be forthcoming?
If they only knew!



“Let’s go to New York!”
their folks finally say,
“Our plane leaves tomorrow,
so start packing today!”

The kids stood in shock
and weren’t sure what to do,
then looked in the dryer
to find the next clue...

Thoughts on wintry New York,
they found the next box;
they secretly hoped it
was full of warm socks!

But no socks were inside
(which was more than ok),
they found some show tickets,
Christmas Cirque du Soleil!

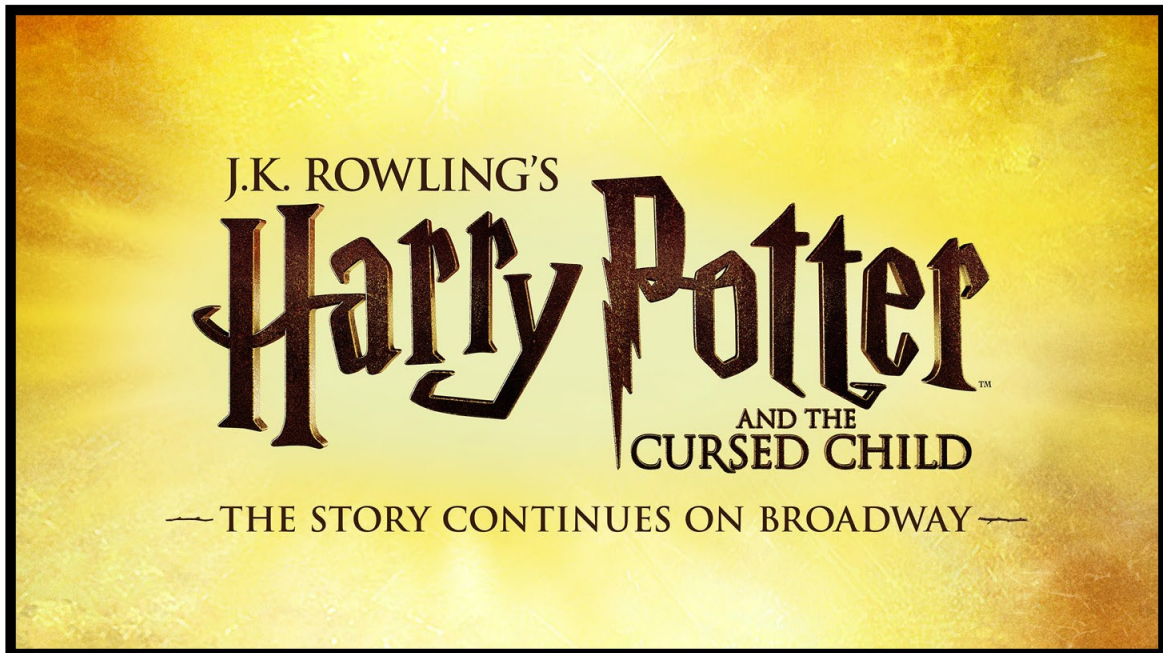


Both were mostly quite pleased
(Josh did really want socks),
they dished out some hugs and said,
“Thanks Mom, you rock!”

“But wait, ‘cause there’s more,”
she said with a wink,
“you aren’t quite done yet,
go look by the sink...”

So out to the kitchen
they zoomed super fast,
‘Twas like apparition;
they were gone with a blast!

Excitement was building
with every new clue,
They thought out aloud,
“What else will we do?”



New York's many options
would fill up their day,
But this gift was tickets to
Potter on Broadway!

The Cursed Child would surely
enchant them quite soon,
but more gifts awaited them
down in Mom's room...

The next gifts they found
seemed to follow a theme
they'd keep safe and warm
while supporting Dad's team!

But they'd be in New York,
what good would it do
To be all decked out in
the Oil's orange and Blue?



Jan. 1 @ 2pm



Jan. 3 @ 7pm

The team was in town and
were playing quite close,
Not once but two times,
they'd be going to both!

The kids almost fainted
and exploded with glee,
But one more gift waited,
tucked inside the tree...

They found the last one,
would it really be best?
Turns out that it wasn't,
it's just Covid tests! :(

That dumb Covid virus
was running amok,
tests, vaxxing, and masking
they won't leave it to luck



So 10:35
is the time they would go
suitcases need packing
get on with the show!

New York would be fun
counting down had begun,
fingers crossed that their
plans won't be undone!