Left right game story

How to play
Sit in a circle, each holding a wrapped gift. Read the story aloud. At every LEFT, everyone passes the gift they hold to the left; at every RIGHT, to the right. When the story ends, the gift in your hands is yours.

Sam was running late for the party, as usual. He grabbed his gift, **LEFT** the house, and turned **RIGHT** instead of **LEFT** at the end of the street. “That cannot be **RIGHT**,” he said, and he turned around **RIGHT** away.

When he finally arrived, the host said, “You are **RIGHT** on time! The gift swap is about to start.” Sam put his present on the table, **RIGHT** next to a box in silver paper and **LEFT** of a bag stuffed with tissue.

Everyone sat in a circle, and the host explained the rules **RIGHT** from the start: “Nobody opens anything until the story is over, and whatever is **LEFT** in your hands is yours to keep.”

“What if I get the **RIGHT** present and someone takes it?” asked Rosa, sitting on Sam’s **LEFT**. “Then it was not the **RIGHT** one for you,” laughed the host.

The snacks were running low. There were three crackers **LEFT** and one cube of cheese **RIGHT** in the middle of the plate. Sam reached with his **RIGHT** hand; Rosa reached with her **LEFT**. “You take it,” said Sam. “No, you are **RIGHT**, you take it,” said Rosa. In the end the dog took it, and **LEFT** the room looking very pleased.

Then came the music. Everyone danced, two steps to the **LEFT** and two steps to the **RIGHT**, until somebody’s uncle turned **RIGHT** when everyone else turned **LEFT**, and they all ended up in a heap on the rug. “Is everyone all **RIGHT**?” asked the host. Everyone was **RIGHT** as rain.

At last the host stood up. “All **RIGHT**, everyone, look at the gift **RIGHT** in your hands. If you like it, you have been **LEFT** with a winner. If you do not, well…” She smiled. “The story is over, so it is yours **RIGHT** now.”

The story says LEFT 11 times and RIGHT 18 times.