

Merry Christmas Amelia Bedelia!

Amelia Bedelia
Emma Lou
Mrs. Rodgers
Mr. Rodgers
Uncle Fred
Carols

Mrs. Rodgers Amelia Bedelia, Christmas is just around the corner.

Amelia Bedelia It is? Which corner?

Mrs. Rodgers I mean tomorrow is Christmas Day.

Amelia Bedelia I know that.

Mrs. Rodgers There's still so much to do. We'll never finish.

Emma Lou We'll make it. Just tell us what to do.

Mrs. Rodgers First make a date cake. Put lots of dates in it.

Amelia Bedelia All right. Let's go Emma Lou!

Mrs. Rodgers Wait! Put these nuts in too.

Amelia Bedelia Anything else?

Mrs. Rodgers Do pop some corn. I want to make popcorn balls.

Emma Lou How much should we pop?

Mrs. Rodgers I'll need six cups.

Amelia Bedelia and Emma Lou go to the kitchen to start.

Amelia Bedelia I never heard of a date cake.

Emma Lou But we'll try.

They mix and stir a batter.

Amelia Bedelia Now we need lots of dates. A calendar!! That has lots of dates!

Emma Lou I will get a calendar.

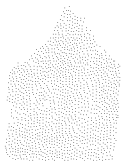
They get a calendar and cut off all the dates and dump them in the cake.

Amelia Bedelia Now for the nuts.

Pour in the nuts and put the cake in the oven.

Amelia Bedelia Now the popcorn.

string
rais
water



Measure six cups of popcorn in small cups.

Emma Lou

Mrs. Rodgers must not like popcorn.

Mrs. Rodgers

That cake smells good.

Amelia Bedelia why did you make so few popcorn? I wanted six cups.

Amelia Bedelia

And I popped six cups!

Mrs. Rodgers

I meant six cups of kernels, not popped corn!

Amelia Bedelia

Then you should have said so!

Mrs. Rodgers

I know.

The telephone rings.

get portable phone

Mrs. Rodgers

I'll get it.

Amelia Bedelia

I'll see to my cake.

Just right! I'll set them out to cool.

Mrs. Rodgers

How dreadful! We forgot about Uncle Fred. We must go and get him.

Can you finish everything Amelia Bedelia?

Amelia Bedelia

Of course I can.

Mrs. Rodgers

I made a list I hope you will understand it.

Emma Lou

Don't worry! We always manage.

Mrs. Rodgers

Oh and remember. Uncle Fred likes Christmas carols. Please greet her with some carols.

A car horn blows.

Mrs. Rodgers

That's Mr. Rodgers. I better hurry. Good-bye!

Amelia Bedelia

I better get busy. What must I do first?

Ok. We must go to the store. We need lights and balls.

They go to the store and come back with shopping bags.

Emma Lou

The list says to put coloured balls on the tree. I hope we bought enough.

use the string

Put the balls on but they roll off.

Amelia Bedelia

Shoot! They are rolling off. We will have to tie them on.

Emma Lou Next, string on lots of lights.
Amelia Bedelia Here are the lights I bought. Let us string them on the tree. What a fancy tree.
 Someone is at the door. Knocking. Three children come in.
 Soon Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers and Uncle Fred come.
Amelia Bedelia Here they are. You know what to do children.
Mrs. Rodgers Here we are.
Amelia Bedelia Now children!
Child 1 Greetings!
Child 2 Greetings!
Child 3 Greetings!
Mrs. Rodgers What's that about?
Amelia Bedelia You said to greet Uncle Fred with Carols. Here's Carol Lee, Carol Green and Carol Lake.

Uncle Fred What lovely Carols. Thank you children!
Mr. Rodgers All right, let's have some cake.
Uncle Fred Just what I wanted.
 Slice the cake and eat it.

Uncle Fred What kind of cake is this? It's full of paper and rocks.
Mr. Rodgers Let me see the paper.
Mrs. Rodgers I know! It's a date cake.
 And these rocks are nuts!

Mr. Rodgers So they are. And was all set for some good cake.
Mrs. Rodgers We should all go to bed.
Amelia Bedelia Okay. You all go to bed. Emma and I will clean up.
Everyone Good night!
 Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas Amelia Bedelia.