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Room Lighting Is Real Problem ForHomemaker

Sufficient Illumination Is Needed. Yet Glare Must Be Avoided

To light a house properly is a fine art. Practicability must be combined with the decorative note. Plenty of light is needed, without glare. These are foundation requirements.

Ceiling lights fell into disuse some time ago, but their omission is a vogue rather than a sound principle, because there are many occasions when central light is desirable.

During a bridge party, reception, or other large gathering, general illumination is preferable to the spotty light furnished by a bridge lamp, which favors one guest and leaves the other in shadow. And in a night emergency, who wants to fumble for a switch on a lamp?

Few ceiling fixtures are totally indifect. Most of them filter light downward through a disk of heavy opal glass or china. The louver type, in which invisible slots permit the light to silver the white metal of the fixture itself, is especially lovely. Many designs for indirect ceiling fixtures follow the modern trend, but any style may be worked out for a period house. Various metals and china are the prevailing materials, with conventional or floral designs.

We need lamps for temperament and cheer, no matter how competent the chandelier. One type of portable lamp conceals its bulb in a spreading metal urn mounted on a standard. The best type of urn is surrounded by electric candles for direct light, which can be used alone. A shade conceals both urn and candles.

Many floor and table lamps are now of the semi-indirect type, using a metal reflector to throw the light upward or an opal glass globe around the bulb. These lamps are provided with shades open at the top.

Excellent as indirect lighting is, however, it can be overdone, and a room illuminated solely in this way may have a curiously flat appearance, owing to the absence of shadows. A direct lamp here and there must create the contrast so essential to the interest and appeal of any living-room.

The bridge lamp has been a "dark horse" for a long time! For it was to throw light on a game of bridge, but derived its name from the light hung from a bridge. For years it has been moved about in a frantic effort to make four people see by it. The bridge lamp should provide light by which one person can read, work, or play the piano. For this purpose it should be placed close to the left of the desk or chair.

A table lamp is utilitarian only if it is high enough and its shades wide enough to spread out light. Otherwise, it may be good to look at , but it will be bad to see by. The dainty little lights modeled after the oil lamp or the candlestick usually can be used only where dim light is sufficient. Reproductions are anachronisms never designed for the modern electric bulb. If you want lamps of this type to furnish atmosphere, however, there are charming ones of every period.

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LETTERS FOR SANTA

Dear Old Kriss:

I am a big boy two years old and I want for Christmas three bags of candy, six cans of soup, and a big load of sand to haul in my wagon.

Sis wants a typewriter and anything else you have for her. Please don't forget Dorothy Jean.

Your big boy,
PHILEMON CONOLLY.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a good little girl, just five years old. I am not going to ask for very much because I think you know what would be nice for me. I would like to have some pajamas, a dress, a small toy, some oranges, candies and nuts, and anything else you think I would like. Please trim our tree, and don't forget my grandmother.

Your loving little girl,
MARY LOU KELLEY.
Stevensville, Md.

Dear Santa:

As it will soon be time for you to come see us I am writing to tell you what I want. I am nearly five years old. I don't go to school yet, but I can count and make my numbers to one hundred, and can also print my name. I hope I can go to school next year with "Bobbie," as I get lonesome when I don't have anyone to play with. Now Santa I have tried to be good and want you to please bring me a nice Teddy Bear, (I had one when I was real little, but he lost one of his eyes.) A washday set, some dishes and a telephone, and anything else you have for a little girl. Don't forget Lucy—bring her something nice. With lots of love to you and Mrs. Santa.

Your little "Puddins",
NORA LEE WILLIS.

Dear Mr.. Santa Claus:

I am a little girl eleven years old and I want a nurse's first-aid kit, kitchen cabinet, pencil box and some paper, some school clothes and anything you have for me. Don't forget my brothers and little sisters. Howard wants a watch and Medford wants a sweater and a pair of pants. Don't forget to trim our tree, and please bring Margie just what she wants.

Lots of love,
JOSEPHINE BLUNT.
Grasonville, Md.

Dear Santa:

I am a wee baby just three months old, please bring me a pair of socks, a rattle, and a dog, for I am very good my mother says.

LITTLE BOBBY LEE BLUNT.
Grasonville, Md.

Dear Old Santa:

I am nine years old and I have been a good girl. I bring in the wood and water, and help mother, so I will tell you what I want if you get down here. We are so far down. I want a zipper jacket, a pair of shoes, and a skirt. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. And don't forget mother, daddy, and uncle Wilmer.

Your little girl,
MARGARET BLUNT.
Grasonville, Md.

Dear Santa:

I have tried to be good. I am five years old and I want a pretty pair of slippers, a dolly with real curls, some new doll dresses and a new dress for myself. I also want candy, apples, nuts, and oranges. Don't forget my little brothers, daddy, sister, and all my friends everywhere.. Don't forget my mother in Florida, and my aunt Sophia, and uncle Quimby in Albany, N. Y.

Every day yours,
RUTH EVANGELINE MARCUS.
Millington, Md..

Dear Santa:

Please remember me. I am a little girl seven years old and in the second grade in school. I am not going to ask for much. I want a coat, a doll that cries and walks, a pair of shoes, two dresses. Also remember my teacher, Mrs. Brown, mother, father, sister, brother and all the poor children who have no mother or father.

Your little girl,
GLADYS HAWKINS.
Centreville, Md.

Dear Santa:

I am a little boy and go to school every day. Please bring me a Play Fort with flag and cannon, a soccer ball, a game and some new clothes, nuts, oranges and candy. Bring mother and daddy something. Please don't forget my teacher, Mrs. Sparks.

Your little boy,
VAN CLARK, JR.
Centreville, Md.

Dear Santa:

As Christmas is drawing near I thought I had better let you know what I want. I would like a pair of roller skates, 2 dresses, a pair of shoes, a game, oranges, nuts, candy, figs and dates. Bring mother and daddy something.

Your little girl,
JEAN CLARK.
Centreville, Md.

Dear Old Santa:

We won't be up in Baltimore for Christmas but come see us down in centreville, to my cousin, Jimmy Rothwell. We don't want very much this year—a pair of roller skates apiece and anything else you would like for us to have. Trim our tree and leave us plenty of oranges, nuts and candy. Remember mother, daddy and mom-mom Frampton.

P. S. Mother says see that she gets her renewal for the Queen Anne's Record-Observer for another year for she sure enjoys reading her home town news. I will close now with much love.

From your two little boys,
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