Rules for the Secret Santa

1. Every gift will be given a number starting from 1 (1, 2, 3 etc) to include every gift. The 50th gift will be given the number 50 for example. This will determine how many people are taking part. The number on the gift is largely irrelevant.
2. When the game begins everyone will draw a number from the lucky hat (relating to how many people are taking part). This will determine everyone’s position. If you get number 1 you will be the first person to ‘choose’ a present to unwrap.
3. Person 1 will then unwrap their present. This is their gift…for now!!
4. Person 2 will now choose a present from the remaining 49 gifts.
5. After person 2 opens their present they will have two choices; either to keep their gift or ‘swap’ with anyone before them, in this case; Person 1.

*-(For example if Person 1 opened an* ***iPod*** *but Person 2 opened a* ***pack of cigarettes*** *then it is perfectly acceptable for Person 2 to take the* ***iPod****, leaving Person 1 with the* ***pack of cigarettes****! This is the basis of the game…do not be scared to swap!)*

1. Person 3 now chooses a gift to unwrap but now they can also choose to ‘swap’ with either Person 1 OR Person 2’s gift.
2. This continues until the last person has opened their gift and either ‘sticks’ or ‘swaps’ with either of the preceding 49 people.

Tips;

For obvious reasons having a later number is better with the last number being the best. This person will have a pick of any gift available. No.1 is the worst number to get, but for various reasons it doesn’t mean that person will be left with the worst present….see how it unfolds!

Be aware that the last person can choose any gift. If you swap something for an iPod early on then please realise that there is a high chance someone will ‘steal’ it off you later on.

Enjoy