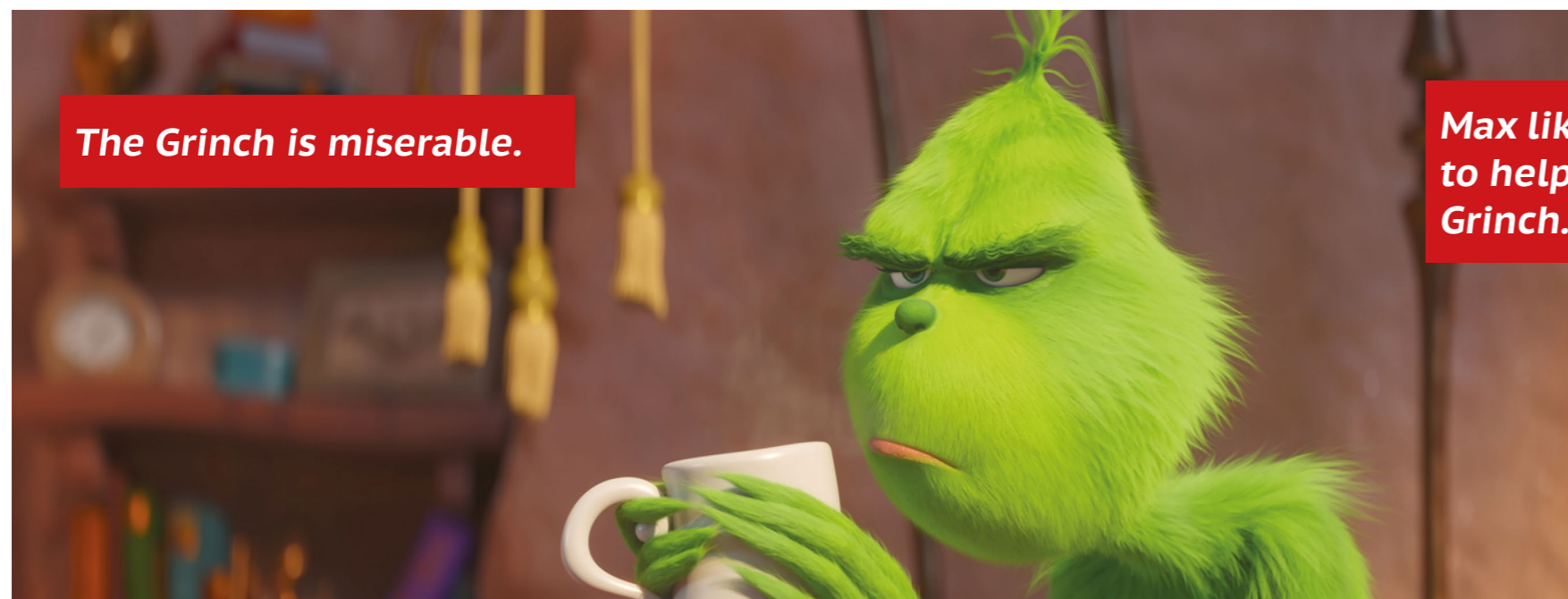


## Who Loves Christmas? A1+





*The Grinch is miserable.*



*Max likes to help the Grinch.*

## **In Who-ville, everyone loves Christmas. But the Grinch really hates the 25th of December.**

The Grinch is a bizarre green creature. He lives in an isolated cave with his dog, Max. He invents machines. The Grinch isn't happy in January, June or October. But in December he is furious. He detests Christmas.

All the people in Who-ville love celebrating Christmas. A girl named Cindy-Lou is an enormous Christmas fan. This year, the Grinch decides to ruin Christmas. He creates a Santa costume. And steals the Christmas trees, decorations, stockings, presents and food.

### **Help**

**cave** (n) a cavern

**steal** (v, stole, stolen): take illegally

**stocking** (n) here, a big sock children leave for presents from Santa



*The Grinch hates Christmas cookies, decorations and trees, and Santa Claus!*



**Cindy-Lou (centre) and her friends hang their stockings on the fireplace for Santa. They write Santa a Christmas card.**

He is very surprised on Christmas morning. Can you guess what the people of Who-ville decide to do?

The Grinch is a new film based on a classic American children's book, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas!*, by Dr Seuss. He wrote and illustrated lots of popular books like *The Cat in the Hat*. His texts are fun to recite because they rhyme. This is the first sentence of the Grinch story:

*“Every Who down in Who-ville liked Christmas a lot,  
But the Grinch, who lived just north of Who-ville,  
did NOT!”*



**The Grinch disguises himself in a Santa costume to ruin Christmas.**

## Help

**lots of** (exp) a big quantity. “I have 20 Christmas cards. That is *lots of* Christmas cards.”

**hang** (v) suspend

**himself** (reflexive pronoun) here, the Grinch disguises the Grinch. “At Halloween, Julie disguises *herself* as a zombie.”