

HIGHLIGHTS OF CHRISTMAS

with 10 cousins

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Simone insiting on helping Norman put on his shoes and socks.
(She isn't very much bigger than he.)

Selma in our old playpen surrounded by many admirers outside the pen all wishing they could get in with her.

Sonia anxious to help in the kitchen; ready to do any chore; embarrassed to try speaking English to me for first few days; intrigued with our machines. Several times she sat herself in front of the dishwasher when I turned it on, determined to watch the dial go around the entire $3/4$ hour cycle, although after about 5 min. she would get tired of it.

Sandra's favorite indoor attire: ski pants and bare feet. I think the girls all thought ski pants were a new kind of overalls. Sylvia liked to keep her whole snow suit on in the house. But they couldn't get used to having to bundle up in hats, mittens, boots, etc. to go outdoors.

Sylvia's great interest in a trip to the super-market. She noticed everything and asked lots of very intelligent questions. She also was a very willing helper especially at mealtimes.

Donald and Peter's nightly excursions to the Cahoon's house next door to sleep overnight. Each had his own small suitcase with clothes and toys to play with when awoke in the morning. Great sense of independence and self-importance.

Donald thought all the girls looked like the picture we had of them except Sylvia; Peter thought Sylvia looked like her picture but the rest didn't!

Alan and Norman's fun in getting acquainted with Sonia, Sandra, and Simone at the kitchen table during meals via making faces at each other, seeing who would laugh the loudest, etc.

Being Timmy's first baby-sitter while all but Norman and I went to the airport on Christmas. Norman peeking over the edge of the bassinet every few minutes to check on things.

A shouting discussion of children's voices in the living room over whether you say Mommy or Mommy.

The girl cousins thinking the bare and pruned trees of an apple orchard were dead.

Sandra deciding, during a drive through residential Moorestown, that cities in the States have all houses and no stores.