The Small Box

A long time ago, at Christmas time, a man called Steven and his three-year-old daughter, Susie, were preparing their presents to put under the Christmas tree. Steven saw Susie trying to wrap a small box using an expensive roll of paper. Steven didn’t have much money and he became very angry with Susie, because she did not use ordinary paper. But Susie was determined to wrap the box as she wanted to.

On Christmas day, Susie went to the tree, got the small box, then went to her father and said, "This is for you, Daddy." The man was suddenly embarrassed for getting angry before. He took the box, smiled, opened the box, but he saw that the box was empty. He got angry again and said "Don't you know, that when you give someone a present, there must be something inside the box?”. The little girl looked up at him with tears in her eyes and said, "Oh, Daddy, it's not empty – I put kisses in the box for you, because I love you."

Steven was very embarrassed again. He put his arms around Susie, said that he was sorry, and that he loved the present. From then on, Steven tried not to get angry or embarrassed again with Susie, and they both lived happily ever after.

Questions

1. Where do you think Susie’s mummy is?
2. Do you think Susie has any siblings? Justify your answer.
3. Can you think of a moral to this story?