



What is Christmas?

Topic Overview

- We give presents to people who are special to us and we choose presents we think they would like or need.
- Christians believe Jesus is God's son and that God gave Jesus as a special present to the world.
- Christians believe Jesus is their 'Saviour.'
- Christians believe God gave His son, Jesus, to the world so He could help people and be an amazing role model to show people how to live good lives.
- Christians believe Jesus was God in a human body.
- The Wise Men thought Jesus was a king, not just an ordinary baby so they brought Him gold and precious perfumes.

The Christmas Story

The Angel Gabriel told Mary that she would have a son and call him Jesus.

Mary and Joseph travelled to Bethlehem to be counted in the census.

While they were there, Jesus was born.

Mary laid him in a manger because there was no room at the inn.

An angel appeared to some shepherds and told them about Jesus' birth.

The shepherds found Mary, Joseph and Jesus in the manger.

They praised God and thanked him for what they had seen.

Some Wise Men saw a strange star in the sky.

They followed the star until they found Jesus.

They gave Jesus gifts: gold, frankincense and myrrh.



Key Vocabulary	Definition
Christmas	A Christian celebration that remembers the birth of Jesus.
Present	To give someone a gift.
Mary	Jesus' mother.
Joseph	Mary's husband.
Jesus	God's son.
Angel	A messenger of God.
Shepherds	Take care of sheep.
Wise Men	Visited Jesus with gifts.
Manger	A trough or open box where food for farm animals is placed.
Stable	A building where animals like horses or cows are kept and fed.
Star	A light in the sky, especially at night.
Saviour	Someone who rescues or saves people.
Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh	Gifts from the Wise Men.
Nativity	The birth of Jesus.