



Topic: Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

Year: 2

Strand: Christianity

Key Vocabulary



Christmas

The annual Christian festival celebrating Christ's birth.



Christian

A person who believes in Jesus



Incarnation

The Christian belief that Jesus is God in a human body.



Gospel

The record of Christ's life and teaching in the first four books of the New Testament.



Jesus

Christians believe was the Son of God.



Advent

The period of four weeks before Christmas.



Angel Gabriel

The angel that visits Mary with God's message.



Bethlehem

The place where Jesus was

Why is Advent important to Christmas?

Churches prepare to celebrate the arrival of Jesus during Advent. They wear purple and decorate the church in purple as it symbolizes royalty and reminds Christians that Advent is a time for prayer, reflection and preparations.



Advent calendars, wreaths and candles are different ways of counting down

Why do we give gifts at Christmas?

How does it link to the Christmas story?

The wise men came to visit Baby Jesus and they brought special gifts with them, gifts fit for a king.

These were gold, frankincense and



Gifts



for

Jesus

Retrieval Quiz

- 1) What is the name of the baby born in Bethlehem?
- 2) Where was the baby born?
- 3) How did the wise men find the baby?
- 4) Who told the shepherds about the baby being born?
- 5) What do the different candles on the advent wreath represent?

What is the Nativity Story?

The Angel Gabriel visited Mary and told her she was going to have a baby called Jesus.



A kind innkeeper in Bethlehem let Mary and Joseph stay in his stable for the night.

Baby Jesus was born in the stable.



The angel told some shepherds that the son of God had been born in Bethlehem.



Far away in the East, three wise men saw a bright star in the sky.

The shepherds and wise men went to see baby Jesus in Bethlehem.

