



Why Christmas is important to Christians

Key Questions

What is a celebration? When do you celebrate?

How do you celebrate Christmas?

What do Christians believe happened when baby Jesus was born?

How do Christians prepare for Christmas?

Why do people give presents at Christmas time?



Key vocabulary:

Advent - It is a time for Christians to prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus.

Christmas – Christmas is the time of year when Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Christingle – Means 'Christ's light'.

Christmas Day – Christmas Day is celebrated by many Christians all over the world on the 25th of December every year. It is a special day when offices, schools and shops are closed.

Nativity – A play that tells the story of the birth of Jesus.

Nativity

The Angel Gabriel visited Mary and told her she was going to have a baby called Jesus and that he would be God's son.

Mary and Joseph had to travel to Bethlehem. Mary rode on a donkey. A kind innkeeper in Bethlehem let Mary and Joseph stay in his stable for the night and Jesus was born there.

An angel appeared to some shepherds and told them that the son of God had been born in Bethlehem. The shepherds walked to Bethlehem to visit the baby Jesus.

Three wise men saw a star in the sky and knew that it meant a king had been born. They followed the star. The wise men found baby Jesus but didn't tell Herod.



Angel Gabriel



The Three Wise Men

