

What? (Key Knowledge)
What do people say about God
Why is Jesus special to Christians?

Children will explore the Christmas nativity story and to gain an understanding of why Jesus is believed to be a special baby. They should begin to think about why Christmas is a special religious time for Christians (as opposed to simply a cultural tradition of exchanging gifts). The focus of Jesus as a 'gift' will introduce children to the concept of the incarnation. They should also consider how, when and why humans might be vulnerable and in need of help. They should particularly focus on the idea that some people might not be able to help themselves and why helping those in need might be an important shared human value.

Key Knowledge

Christians believe that Jesus is the son of God and that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem.

The Bible says that his birth showed that he was extraordinary and that he came to bring good news.

Christians celebrate Jesus' birth at Christmas

Advent for Christians is a time of getting ready for Jesus' coming.

Christians believe that God came to Earth to be with people and show them how to live.

God came to earth to bring good news to everyone.

The good news was about God and how to be close to him.

Christians believe that Jesus was a gift from God.

Christmas is a time when many Christians thank God that Jesus came to earth to show and tell people how to live.

What? (Key Vocabulary)

Spelling	Definition/ Sentence
Nativity	The Christian story of Jesus' birth.
Jesus	Christians believe Jesus is the son of God.
Bethlehem	A small town in Jerusalem where Jesus was born.
Special	Something that is important.
Gift	Something that you give to someone without getting anything back.
Angel	A spiritual being that is sent by God.
Wise Man	Someone who has done lots of learning and knows lots of things
Christian	Someone who believes in the teachings of Jesus

Diagrams and Symbols

