

Religious Education Knowledge Organiser – Year 1



Incarnation

Why does Christmas matter to Christians?

Key Vocabulary

Christianity	A religion.
Christian	Someone who believes in Christianity.
God	Christians believe God has 3 parts but there is only one God.
Jesus	One of the three parts of God. Christians believe Jesus is God's son.
incarnation	When Jesus came down to Earth and became a human.
Christmas	A festival where Christians remember and celebrate Jesus being born.
Advent	A time to count down to Christmas.

Key Questions and Golden Nuggets

What do Christians believe about Jesus?

Christians believe that Jesus is God and that he was born as a baby in Bethlehem. This is called incarnation.

What happened in the Nativity?

First, the Angel Gabriel visited Mary to tell she would have a special baby. Then, Mary and Joseph went on a journey to Bethlehem. After that, Jesus was born and placed in a manger. A little later, angels visited shepherds in the fields to tell them the good news. Then, the shepherds went to visit the baby. Much later, Wise Men followed a star to find Jesus.

What was the place like where Jesus was born?

Jesus was born in a poor and lowly place. You wouldn't expect a special baby or a baby king to be born in a place like this.





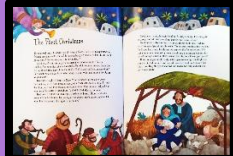
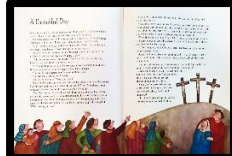


What symbols of the Nativity are found in a church?

There are lots of symbols that represent the nativity such as the crib, candles, holly, a star, candy canes and the advent crown.

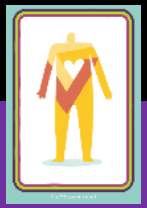
What is the special meaning of an Advent wreath?

The circle shows us that God lasts forever. The green leaves remind us that God's love lasts forever. The four small candles help us to count down each Sunday before Christmas. The big candle helps us to celebrate Jesus' birthday on Christmas day.

Big Story of the Bible


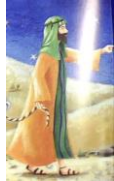





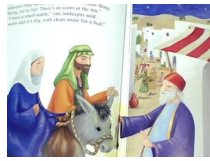

Creation	The Fall	Kings	Prophets	Incarnation	Salvation	Kingdom of God	New creation
							
God creates the world in 6 days and then on Day 7 he has a rest. God says that his world is 'good'.	Adam and Eve don't follow God's rules and they spoil their friendship with God.	God's people aren't very happy and ask for a King like the other countries. God lets them have a king.	God wants to fix his friendship with humans so he asks prophets to tell the people and the King the right thing to do.	God's people still aren't doing the right thing so God comes as Jesus to make it better for them. God becomes a person!	Jesus dies on the cross as a punishment for everything his people do wrong. His people can be friends with God again.	After Jesus goes to heaven, his friends and followers tell the world about the Good News of Jesus.	Christians believe that Jesus will come again and bring a new heaven and earth where everything will be perfect again.

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Jesus' Mother	Jesus' Father	The special baby	Men who looked after sheep	God's messengers	Men who watched the stars	The place where Mary and Joseph lived.	The place where Jesus was born.	The man who found a room for Mary and Joseph.

Thank you	Advent Crown	The Nativity	
<p>Christians like to say thank you to God at Christmas for sending baby Jesus.</p> <p>What could you say thank you for this Christmas?</p>	<p>Christians light one candle each Sunday as they count down to Christmas. The candle in the middle is kept for Christmas day!</p>	<p>Can you re-tell the Nativity in the correct order?</p>	
I am thankful for...		1	2
Thank you at Christmas for...		3	4
Thank you God...		5	6
Thank you Jesus...			
Amen		A little boy or girl normally gets to light the candle!	