

Class 5 Religious Education: The Christmas Story

Learning objective: To recall and understand the key figures, events, and significance of the Nativity story as told in the Christian tradition.

Read each question carefully and try to answer it before flipping the card to check your understanding. These flashcards cover the key aspects of the Christian Christmas narrative.

What does the term 'Nativity' refer to?

The Nativity refers to the account of the birth of Jesus Christ, as described in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke.

In which town does the Christian Christmas story take place?

The town of Bethlehem.

Who visited Mary to tell her she would give birth to Jesus?

The Angel Gabriel.

Why did Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem?

They travelled to Bethlehem to take part in a census ordered by the Roman Emperor, Augustus.

Who were the first people to be told of the birth of Jesus by angels?

The shepherds, who were watching their flocks in the nearby fields.

What title is given to Jesus in the Christmas story, meaning 'the anointed one'?

Messiah (or Christ).

What gifts did the Magi (Wise Men) bring to Jesus?

Gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

What is the Christian belief of the 'Incarnation'?

The belief that God became human in the person of Jesus.

Where did Mary place the baby Jesus after he was born?

In a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

What guided the Magi to find Jesus?

A star, often referred to as the Star of Bethlehem.

Which two Gospels contain the Nativity story?

The Gospel of Matthew and the Gospel of Luke.

What is the main message of the Christmas story for Christians?

A message of hope, peace, and the arrival of a saviour for all people.