

Christmas Lesson

Christmas!

Grade 5

MAIN OBJECTIVE

- Identify Christmas as a season of love*
- Explore the feasts of the Christmas season*

QUICK SESSION OVERVIEW

STEP 1 - WELCOME

STEP 2 - INVITE

STEP 3 - DISCOVER

STEP 4 - LIVE

STEP 5 - CLOSING

HELPFUL HINT OF THE DAY

Continue to Support Your Students

- Kids feel lots of emotions during the holiday season, as we all do, and we want to continue to meet them where they are at**
- They might not show, or tell, you all the time that they appreciate you caring about them but underneath a rough exterior, they do. Continue to pour out your support for them in each moment that you can**

“You may be the only ‘Jesus’ that someone may meet this week”

STEP 1 - WELCOME

TIP

Community Activity

STEP 2 – INVITE (Christmas Insert on Pg. 19)

TIP

- **Recite the prayer and read the Scripture passage.**
 - **When have you heard about someone being kind or having compassion toward someone else?**
 - **Who is the most forgiving person you know?**

STEP 3 – DISCOVER

TIP

- **Read and discuss “Feasts of the Season” on pg. 20-21 (use the activity at the bottom of page 21 as well**

View the Nativity Story video (Feel free to bring snacks for your class during this if you'd like. The video will be about 16 minutes long)

- **<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QDCppAneIDI&t=>**
- **Discuss the video and any thoughts that they have**
- **Optional Activity #1: Christmas Trivia/Quiz**
 - **Split the kids up into teams of 3 and have them come up with a team name**
 - **Use the white board to track points for correct points**
 - **Use small sheets of paper for the teams to turn their answers into you**
 - **Christmas Trivia questions attached below as a part of the quiz!**
- **Optional Activity #2: Christmas Word Search**
 - **Worksheet attached below!**

- **Optional Activity #3: Christmas Story / Christmas Discussion**
 - **Read through the attached Christmas Story from the Gospel**
 - **Discuss about the kids Christmas traditions with their families / share yours with them!**

STEP 5 – CLOSING

TIP

Pray the Memorare together:

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thine intercession was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.



CHRISTMAS WORD SEARCH



O P R I N L I G G Q Q R G L U N H Z E F
C H Z Q E J A O R E I N D E E R I R L Q
M B M O L S Z T V W U P O B N D T T V V
N H N J O L L Y N U Y E N M I H C C E U
X P M N P P S F I A G K A C L Y V H S Z
D L A E H X C E L B S F P G C E T Q E G
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G R E H N X R L B P Y N N N H R S O I L
B N Z C S T B H J O M D P I M O A B V M
Y M I S T L E T O E Y R D E E S M C I U
G O C N O R L D K C O Q O N R T T W N B
W K Y Q C Z E J A G O V T D R Y S D G Q
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BELLS
CANDLES
CANDY CANE
CARDS
CELEBRATE
CHIMNEY
CHRISTMAS

RUDOLPH
SANTA
SEASON
SLEIGH
STOCKING
TREE
WREATH

ELVES
FROSTY
GIFT
GIVING
GREETINGS
HOLIDAY
JOLLY

JOY
MERRY
MISTLETOE
NOEL
NORTH POLE
REINDEER



THE CHRISTMAS STORY

(from the children's lectionaries for the Gospels according to Luke and Matthew)

When Ceaser Augustus, the ruler of Rome, passed a law that everyone in the world should be enrolled, all the people went to be registered in the towns where they were born.

Joseph and Mary went from the town of Nazareth to the city of David, which is called Bethlehem, because Joseph was born in the family of David. While they were there, the time came for Mary's child to be born, and she gave birth to her first-born son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

At that time, there were shepherds in the fields watching over their sheep during the night. An angel of God appeared to them, and the glory of God surrounded them with great light. And they were frightened. The angel said to them: "Do not be afraid. I have come to bring you great news, news of great joy, to be shared by all the people. Today in the City of Bethlehem, a Savior has been born for you, Christ the Lord! And this will be a sign for you: You will find a child wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

Suddenly, all the angels in heaven were praising God and singing,
"Glory to God in heaven, and peace to all people on earth."

The shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this wonderful thing God has told us about."

They hurried to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph and saw the baby lying in a manger. When they saw the child, they repeated what the angel had said about him.

Everyone was amazed at what the shepherds told them.
And Mary thought about all these things and kept them in her heart.

The shepherds returned to their fields, thanking and praising God for all they had heard and seen.
(from Luke 2:1-20)

Some Magi came from the east. When they arrived in Jerusalem, they asked the people, "Where is the newborn King of the Jews? We have seen his star in the east, and we have come to worship him."

They left for Bethlehem. The star, which they had seen in the east, went ahead of them, and it stopped over the place where Jesus was. When they went in, they found the child with Mary, his mother. They were filled with joy. They knelt down and worshipped Jesus. And they gave him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

(from Matthew 2:1-2, 9-11)

The Christmas Story

Draw a circle around the letter that is next to the correct answer choice.

1. Who told Mary that she would give birth to the baby Jesus?

A. The angel Michael
B. The angel Gabriel
C. A multitude of angels
D. Joseph

2. What baby leaped in his mother's womb when he heard the sound of Mary's voice?

A. Abraham
B. Moses
C. John the Baptist
D. Peter

3. Why did Joseph marry Mary after he learned that she was going to have a child?

A. His parents forced him to marry her.
B. An angel told him to marry her.
C. He had already promised her parents.
D. He was required by law to marry her.

4. Where was Jesus born?

A. Bethlehem
B. Nazareth
C. Egypt
D. Samaria

5. Jesus was born

A. at home.
B. in a stable.
C. in a hotel room.
D. in a hospital room.

6. Who was king of Judea when Jesus was born?

A. Joseph
B. Caesar
C. Pilate
D. Herod

7. Who was the Roman emperor at the time of His birth?

A. Marc Antony
B. Pilate
C. Caesar Augustus
D. Herod Antipas

8. Before whom did a multitude of angels appear praising God?

A. The inn keepers
B. The High Priest
C. The Wise men
D. Shepherds

9. The wise men first went to this city asking, "Where is He who is born King of the Jews?"

A. Bethlehem
B. Jerusalem
C. Nazareth
D. Capernaum

10. What three gifts did the wise men give to the baby Jesus?

A. Blankets, sleepers, diapers
B. Rattle, crib, pacifier
C. Gold, diamonds, rubies
D. Gold, frankincense, myrrh

11. After the wise men left Bethlehem, an angel told Joseph to take Mary and the baby Jesus to

A. Egypt.
B. Jerusalem.
C. Galilee.
D. Samaria.

12. Jesus grew up in

A. Bethlehem.
B. Jerusalem.
C. Nazareth.
D. Damascus.

13. God had promised this man that he would not die until saw the Christ.

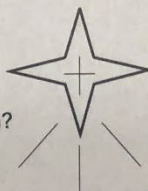
A. Simeon
B. Zacharias
C. John
D. Paul

14. This prophetess served God in the temple day and night and spoke of Jesus to all that looked for redemption.

A. Ruth
B. Deborah
C. Elizabeth
D. Anna

15. And the Word was made flesh and ...

A. immediately left.
B. lived among us.
C. moved far away from us.
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