

Year 2 Autumn 2 - Why does Christmas matter to Christians?



What should I know?

- What happens at a traditional Christian celebration of Christmas.
- That Christians believe God came to earth as Jesus.
- The main points of the Christmas Nativity story.



Advent calendar

Manger



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Key Vocabulary and definitions

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Incarnation	God raking the human form and becoming Jesus.	
Nativity	The birth of Jesus Christ.	
Advent	The first part of the Church year leading up to Christmas. It includes the four Sundays before Christmas. Christians believe this leads up to the arrival of God.	
Tradition	Something that has been done for a long time and passed from older family members to younger ones.	
Gabriel	An angel Christians believe was a messenger of God.	
Bethlehem	A city believed to be the birthplace of Jesus.	
Manger	A long trough from which horse or cattle eat their food.	

Facts I will know:

How Christians use the story of the nativity to guide their beliefs.	How Christians around the world prepare for and celebrate Christmas.
Christians believe God came to earth as Jesus.	Christians say thank you to God at Christmas.