

What should I already know?

- Understand celebrations and about giving and receiving gifts.
- Understand that some places are special to members of their community and recognise that people have different beliefs and celebrate special times in different ways.
- Recognise some similarities and differences between life in this country and life in other

RE Skills:

Identify some ways Christians celebrate Christmas.

Retell some of the story connected with Christmas.

Ask questions and suggest answers about stories to do with Christmas.

Key Vocabulary and Definitions:

Celebrate-To acknowledge a significant or happy event with a party or enjoyable activity or to perform a religious ceremony.

Christmas- The Christian festival celebrating Jesus' birth.

Rejoice -To feel or show great joy or delight.

Sacred- Something special that is associated with a god or used for a religious purpose.

Special-Better, more exciting or different from usual.

Symbol-Something that represents or stands for something else.

Frankincense-An aromatic gum resin obtained from an African tree and burnt as incense.

Myrrh-A fragrant gum resin obtained from certain trees and used, especially in the Near East, in perfumery, medicines, and incense.

Gold-A yellow precious metal.

Teaching Sequence

1. To know why people, give gifts.
2. To understand the symbolism behind the gifts given to Jesus.
3. To understand value in giving gifts in the modern day.