



DAY 4

Something for you to read

Jesus is born.

Mary was going to have a baby. An angel had come to tell Mary about this baby. Her baby would be special. He would be God's Son. When it was time to have her baby, Mary and Joseph had to take a trip. They walked and walked for three days. Finally Mary and Joseph came to Bethlehem. There were so many people that there weren't any rooms left in the inn. There wasn't anywhere else for them to stay. Finally, Mary and Joseph found a place to stay. It wasn't a nice place. It probably wasn't even a clean place. It was a place for animals to stay! Mary's little baby was born there. Mary wrapped the little baby in some clean cloths and then she laid Him in a manger filled with clean straw. Mary and Joseph named this baby, Jesus.

A few days later wise men arrived to see the baby. They had seen a shiny new star in the East and had followed it. The star shone over where Jesus was. The star showed them that someone very important had been born and this baby was going to grow up to be a special man who would bring light to the world.

From The Bible - Luke 2:1-7 & Matthew 2: 1 - 12



Something for you to colour



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Something for you to make

Take some photos of what you make and let us all see. Upload the pictures to:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/987749665078014> (Light Up 2020)

4. Make Star Biscuits

Once you have made the biscuit dough, if you have cookie cutters (or CLEAN play dough cutters) shaped as the sun, moon and stars, cut out the shapes using the cutters. If not why not try and cut the shapes free hand with a dinner knife.

Ingredients

- 198g (7oz) granulated sugar
- 152g (5.4oz) brown sugar
- 454g (1lb) salted butter, room temperature
- 2 large eggs
- 2 tsp vanilla extract
- 698g (1lb, 9oz) plain flour
- 1 1/2 cups mini chocolate chips

Instructions

- Cream the butter and sugar together in a bowl for about 30 seconds. Over mixing the butter and sugar in this step will cause too much air to be incorporated into the dough. If you'd like a light and fluffy cookie, that's ideal, however the dough will spread more during baking; not ideal if you'd like the cookie to hold its shape!
 - Add eggs and vanilla extract slowly and mix.
 - Add all of the flour to the bowl. Mix on low speed for 30 seconds. When the dough starts to come together add the mini chocolate chips. You can test the dough by pinching it between your thumb and index finger. If it's soft but not sticky, it's just right. If it's too sticky when you pinch it between your fingers, add flour, ¼ cup at a time, and mix until you're happy with the texture. If it's too dry, add a little water or milk until your dough comes together.
 - Roll the dough out between 2 large pieces of parchment paper. Place on a baking sheet and into the fridge or freezer for a minimum of 1 hour.
 - Cut out cookie shapes. Place on parchment paper-lined baking sheets. Re-roll scraps and repeat. If your dough gets too soft to work with, place in the fridge or freezer periodically to firm up again.
 - Once all cut out, put cookie dough shapes back into the fridge or freezer for 10 minutes to 1 hour to chill again. They will then hold their shape better when baked.
 - Preheat your oven to 375°F or 190°C.
 - Bake cookies for 8-12 minutes or until the edges become golden brown. The baking time will depend on the size of your cookie.
 - Let cookies cool to room temperature and decorate if you like!
- Makes approx. 35 cookies



3. Make a star garland

You will need:

coloured paper/card

Ribbon

Scissors & pencil

A needle

Glue

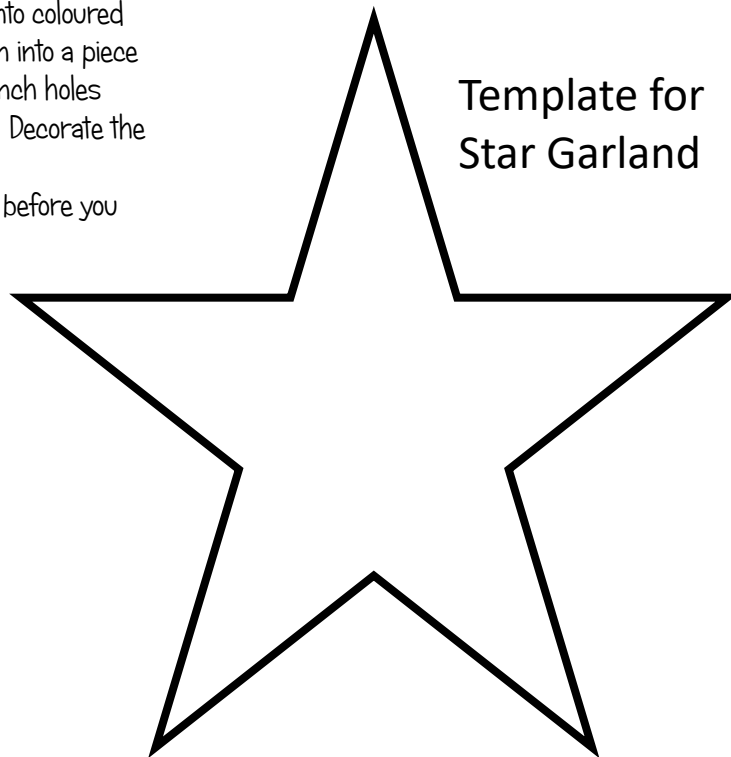
A piece of foam

glitter/sequins



Cut out the star template, then draw round it onto coloured paper. Cut out the stars. Place each star in turn into a piece of foam and using a needle (very carefully) punch holes through the star shape in any pattern you like. Decorate the Stars with glitter or sequins

Attach each star to the ribbon and allow to dry before you hang up your star garland



Template for Star Garland

4. Make twig stars

1. Head out for a walk and collect small thin sticks.
2. Once home form the sticks into a star shape
3. Use wool, raffia, string or a glue gun to hold the sticks together in shape.
4. Once held, you could paint the twigs or decorate them with old buttons, shiny shapes, foam shapes. If you want to keep the natural look attach fir cones, acorns, conkers or leaves that you find on your walk
5. Attach a string or thread and hang up.



If you are feeling really festive, why not make a few and decorate them for Christmas



Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Christmas Anagram



bennorw _____

ghiinns arst _____

deehprss _____

aceefiknnrs _____

aiintvy _____

aeglns _____

abelst _____

aegmnr _____

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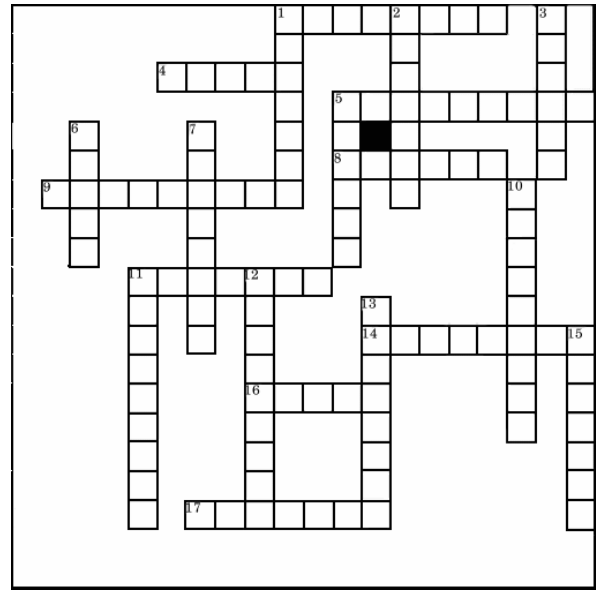
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Nativity Word Search

C A N O I T A V L A S D N S H S
 Q S H E P H E R D S R F A L L U
 R A T S A M T S I R H C T E J S
 N E M E S I W S H E E P I G O E
 J G N I K M A R Y G I U V N S J
 M O S Y I H X Q U R Q W I A E T
 D O N K E Y R E G N A M T D P M
 Z I L I N N K E E P E R Y O H F



- angels
- Christmas
- donkey
- innkeeper
- Jesus
- Joseph
- king
- manger
- Mary
- nativity
- salvation
- sheep
- shepherds
- star
- wisemen



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DOWN

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|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Elves are busy there | 1 Magi |
| 4 He was born on Christmas | 2 He was stingy |
| 5 Hung by the chimney | 3 Christ was born in one |
| 8 Festive drink | 5 Santa's sled |
| 9 Pine tree | 6 Santa's helpers |
| 11 Santa slides down it | 7 Singing |
| 14 They pull Santa's sleigh | 10 Kiss under it |
| 16 Religious songs | 11 December 25th |
| 17 Hangs on the door | 12 Where Santa lives |
| | 13 Another name for gifts |
| | 15 Has a shiny red nose |

