

Year 1: Why are gifts given at Christmas?



Jesus was visited by **Three Wise Men** from the East who had followed a star to **Bethlehem**. The Wise Men gave Jesus gifts of **gold**, **frankincense** and **myrrh**.

What gifts did the Wise Men bring?

Gold — a symbol of Jesus as King.
 Frankincense — a symbol of Jesus as God.
 Myrrh — a symbol that Jesus will suffer one day.



Take time to reflect

Can you think of a special gift you have received? How did it make you feel?

CRC Article 14: Every child has the right to their own religion.



Christmas

Christmas is a Christian festival that marks the birth of **Jesus**, who Christians believe to be the Son of God.



Christians thank God for giving them the gift of Jesus.

Jesus, the Son of God, was born in a stable in **Bethlehem**.

Vocabulary

Bethlehem	The town where Jesus was born.
Christmas	A festival celebrating the birth of Jesus.
frankincense	Special incense.
gifts	A present.
giving	Being caring and loving.
Gold	A precious yellow metal.
myrrh	An oil or perfume.
presents	A gift.
special	Someone or something that is very important.
Wise Men or Kings	Important men who took gifts to Jesus.