

## - Christmas -

Christmas is the birthday of Jesus.// Traditional decorations represent baby Jesus/ in a stable under a star/ with a donkey and a cow.// Three wise men give him gifts.// Shepherds kneel/ before the child/ they believe/ will grow up to be their king,/ and save their people from injustice and destruction.// The new star meant/ that a new king had been born.// That is why/ the wise men knew to bring gifts.// The king at the time, however,/ did not want anybody else to grow up to be king,/ so he ordered his men/ to kill Jesus,/ whose family escaped by night.// For Christians, /Jesus,though God,/ decided to come down to earth/ through a poor family,/ like a prince/ pretending to be poor to win his true love.// Christmas is a celebration/ of how a small light overcame a great darkness.// It is celebrated/ by giving gifts/ to people we love.//

クリスマスはイエスの誕生日です// 伝統的な飾りは生まれたてのイエスを表す/ 星の下の馬小屋で/ 驢馬と牛にと共に// 三人の賢者が彼に贈り物を捧げる// 羊飼いたちはひざまずく/ その子供の前で/ 彼らは信じる/ 成長して王となり/ 人々を不正や破壊から救うと// 新しい星は意味していた/ 新しい王が生まれたと// だから/ 賢者たちは贈り物を持っていくことを知ってた// しかしながら、当時の王は/ 他の誰にも王になってほしくなかったため/ 彼は自分の家来に命じた/ イエスを殺すように/ (イエスの) 家族は夜までには逃げた// クリスマンにとって/ イエスは神でありながら/ 地上に降りることを選んだ/ 貧しい家庭を通じて/ まるで王子のように/ 真実の愛を得るために貧しいふりをしている// クリスマスは祝う日である/ いかにか小さな光が大きな闇を打ち破ったかを// それは祝われている/ 贈り物をあげることで/ 私たちが愛する人に//

### Vocabulary and Phrases

tradition	伝統	injustice	不正
represent	表す	destruction	破滅
stable	馬小屋	escape	逃げる
donkey	ロバ	pretend	見せかける
wise men	賢者 (wise 賢い)	celebration	お祝い
kneel	跪く	overcome	打ち勝つ

### Total Number of Words

: 152 words

### Time for 100 wpm

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### Time for 120 wpm

: 76 sec.

### Your BEST TIME

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**【Listen & Fill Blank】**

Christmas is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus. Traditional decorations represent \_\_\_\_\_ in a stable under a star with a donkey and a cow. \_\_\_\_\_ wise men give him gifts. Shepherds kneel before the child they believe will \_\_\_\_\_ to be their king, and save their people from \_\_\_\_\_ and destruction. The \_\_\_\_\_ meant that a new king had been born. That is why the wise men \_\_\_\_\_ to bring gifts. The king at the time, \_\_\_\_\_, did not want anybody else to grow up to be king, so he ordered his men to kill Jesus, whose family \_\_\_\_\_ by night. For Christians, Jesus, though God, \_\_\_\_\_ to come down to earth through a poor family, like a prince \_\_\_\_\_ to be poor to win his true love. \_\_\_\_\_ is a celebration of how a small light \_\_\_\_\_ a great darkness. It is celebrated by giving gifts to people we love.

**【Q&A / A&Q】**

**Question 1:** Whose birth does Christmas celebrate?

**Question 2:** What did a new star mean?

**Question 3:** What is your favorite part of Christmas?

**Ask 1:** 答えが「wise men」である質問を英語で書いてください

**Ask 2:** Light についての質問を英語で書いてください

**Ask 3:** 本文について知りたいことを英語で1つ書いてください

**Sample Answer 1:** Jesus

**Sample Answer 2:** The new star meant a new king had been born.

**Sample Answer 3:** Gifts / illuminations / church / romance / snow / Santa / KFC / turkey / calendars / etc...

**Sample Question 1:** Who brought gifts to baby Jesus?  
Who knew that a new star meant a new king?

**Sample Question 2:** What does Jesus have to do with light?  
Why does a small light overcome a great darkness?  
What color is the light?  
Etc...

**Sample Question 3:** What about Christmas trees?  
Why would a prince pretend to be poor?  
Did Jesus actually bring justice, though?  
What is so important about a donkey and a cow? Etc...