# Mablethorpe Primary Academy

**Enquiry Question: What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if he had been born here rather than Bethlehem?**

## Key Words

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| Christian | A religion whose followers believe Jesus is the son of God |
| Christmas | The Christian celebration of the birth of Jesus |
| Jesus | Christians believe He is the son of God |
| Bible | The holy book for Christians |
| gold | The gifts given to Jesus by the Three Wise Men |
| frankincense | |
| myrrh | |

## Key Questions

**What gifts might Christians in my town have given Jesus if He had been born here instead of Bethlehem?**

Why was Jesus given gold, frankincense and myrrh?

What presents might Christians want to give Jesus if He was born today?

| ■ GOLD | ■ FRANKINCENSE | ■ MYRRH |
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| Given to a **King**. | Given to **God**. | A symbol of **Death**. |
| Shows that Jesus is a royal ruler over the Earth. | An incense used in worship. Shows Jesus' deity (He is divine). | A special burial oil. Symbolises that Jesus would sacrifice his life. |

## Key Learning

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| 1 | At special times, we might give gifts to others that are meaningful to them and the occasion. |
| 2 | Jesus was born in a stable in Bethlehem. |
| 3 | Christians believe He was the son of God and so very special. |
| 4 | Special gifts were brought for Jesus by the Three Wise Men: gold, frankincense and myrrh. |
| 5 | Gold was given to symbolise Jesus being a King. |
| 6 | Frankincense was given to symbolise Jesus' priesthood: he brought the word of God to men on Earth. |
| 7 | Myrrh was given to symbolise death, burial and sacrifice. |



