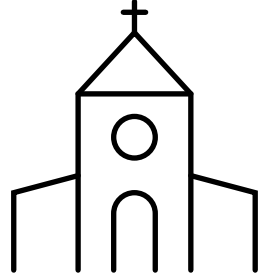



# R&W - KSI: Why and how is Christmas celebrated?

<b>belief</b>	An idea or opinion that someone thinks is true.	<b>religion</b> 🔑	A set of beliefs and teachings a person might follow.
<b>believe</b>	To think something is true.	<b>respect</b> 🔑	Valuing someone or something through polite behaviour.
<b>God</b> 🔑	A powerful, non-human being.	<b>worldview</b>	A way of looking at the world, based on specific rules or beliefs that have developed over time (e.g. Hindu and Humanist worldviews).
<b>incarnation</b>	When someone or something takes on a new body or form.		

<b>celebrate</b>	<b>Christian</b> 🔑	<b>Christian Bible</b> 🔑	<b>Christingle</b>	<b>Christmas</b> 🔑
 <p>To do something enjoyable and special to show that an event is important.</p>	 <p>A person who believes the Bible to be God's word and follows the teaching and example of his son Jesus.</p>			 <p>The Christian celebration of Jesus' birth.</p>

<b>church</b> 🔑	<b>Jesus</b> 🔑	<b>Nativity</b>	<b>scripture</b> 🔑
			 <p>Writings considered to be holy or special.</p>

**🔑** Key vocabulary

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<b>ascension</b>	The event in which Christians believe Jesus rose into heaven.	<b>prophecies</b> 🔑	Predictions about the future, often found in religious texts.
<b>crucifixion</b>	Executing someone by nailing or tying them to a cross.	<b>resurrection</b> 🔑	The act of coming back to life.
<b>Easter</b> 🔑	A Christian festival celebrating the resurrection of Jesus.	<b>significance</b>	How important or meaningful something is.
<b>Gospel</b> 🔑	Meaning 'good news', the name for the accounts of Jesus' life and words found in the first four books of the New Testament.	<b>sin</b>	An action or behaviour which is believed to break the laws given by God or a Higher Power.
<b>Magi</b>	Wise men, priests or kings who visited baby Jesus.	<b>The Fall</b>	A Christian term referring to Adam and Eve disobeying God.
<b>messiah</b>	A leader or saviour promised by God in Jewish and Christian beliefs, often linked to prophecies.		



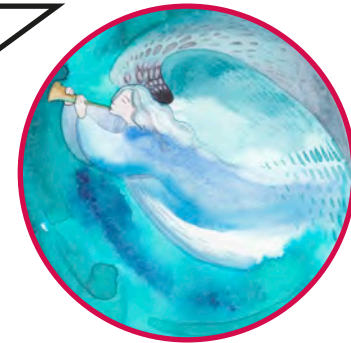
### Key vocabulary



Many Christians believe prophecies about a Messiah came true when Jesus was born. This was seen as good news by lots of people and is now called The Gospel.

In the Bible, The Gospel tells the story of Jesus and his teachings.

In Christian teachings, Christmas is part of a bigger story about God's relationship with humans. Many Christians believe The Fall is when the relationship was broken and sending Jesus was part of God's plan to repair it. Easter remembers the time Christians believe Jesus died and rose again to be with God, meaning people could be forgiven and have a relationship with God.



## R&W - UKS2: Why and how is Christmas celebrated?

carol	A religious song usually sung at Christmas.
Christ	A title meaning 'Anointed one' (chosen by God for a specific role or responsibility).
culture	A group of people's way of life, such as their traditions, languages, food and arts.
divine	Connected to God or gods, often seen as very special or powerful.
Immanuel	A name meaning 'God with us'.
The Incarnation 	The Christian belief that God became human in the form of Jesus.
Lord	A title used for someone with power and authority.
saviour	A person who saves or rescues others from harm.
The Trinity 	The Christian belief of God as The Father, the Son (Jesus) and the Holy Spirit.
traditions	Ways of doing things that have been passed down through generations.



### Key vocabulary

Christmas is celebrated all over the world by Christians, non-religious people and people from different worldviews.

While Christmas traditions can differ across cultures, many of them share similarities such as lights, being together and remembering the Christmas story.

Throughout the Bible and in Christian songs, prayers and texts different titles are used for Jesus. These titles express beliefs and ideas about Jesus' role and significance.

