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Introduction

This material may be used in different ways depending on the needs and the English ability of the students.



Vocabulary. Start each section of material by going over the vocabulary. Say each word, and have the students repeat the word after you. Work on problem sounds. Use each word in a sentence, or have the students make up their own sentences.

Some words may be used as several different parts of speech. To avoid confusion, only the part of speech used in the lesson in which the word originally appears is given. The vocabulary list at the end of the book gives the number of the lesson in which a word is introduced.



Text. Read each sentence, and have the students repeat after you. Or go around the room, having each student read one sentence at a time. You may need to translate the sentences, or you may read each sentence and have the students translate into their native tongue. Encourage students to bring their dictionaries to class. Or invest in some bilingual dictionaries that they can refer to.



Questions. The questions with the text are designed to be easy to answer. The answers should come straight from the text. These questions allow teacher and students to see if the students understand the text. These questions do not require anyone to give an opinion or push anyone to accept what is written, but simply to tell what the text says.



Extra lesson. At the end of the book you will find an additional lesson. "How to Become a Christian" may be taught at any time, or simply be used as reference.

Waiting for Jesus' Birth

MATTHEW 1:18–25; LUKE 1:26–38



The **Bible** tells about the one **true God** of **heaven**. Although he is one God, he is made up of three parts or **beings**. They are called the **Father**, the **Son**, and the **Holy Spirit**.

God **created** the world we live in. He created the first man and woman. They were the father and mother of all people. God loved them very much. God told them how to live. But they did not **obey** God. They **sinned**. Because they sinned, all of their children sinned. Every person who lived after them sinned too.

God loves all people, but he **hates** their sin. God is **holy**. He cannot sin. He must **punish** sin. Sin is an **offense** to God. God loves people, but sin **separates** people from God. God had a plan that could fix the **problem** of sin. Sin is a problem that people cannot fix.

God told the world's first people that he would send someone to the earth to **save** them from their sin. About 2,000 years ago God, the Father, sent the Son to the earth. The Son became a person. He came as a **human** baby and lived in **Israel**. People knew him by his name **Jesus**.

Because Jesus is God, he didn't have a beginning. He will never have an end. He has always lived. He created the world. He always was God. But 2,000 years ago he became a person too. Then he was God and a person at the same time.

A woman named **Mary** lived in Israel. She was **engaged** to marry a man named **Joseph**. One day an **angel** came and talked to Mary. The angel told Mary **surprising** news. He told her she would **have a baby**. This baby would be God, the Son. He would save people from their sin.

Mary said, "How can I have a baby? I am still a **virgin**."

The angel said, "The Holy Spirit will give you the **ability** to have a baby even though you are a virgin. Nothing is **impossible** with God."

Mary said, "I am God's **servant**. I will do what he wants me to do."

An angel also talked to Joseph. The angel told Joseph that Mary would have a baby while she was still a virgin. The angel said, "You must name the baby 'Jesus,' which means '**savior**.' Jesus will save people from their sin."

So Joseph and Mary got married. But Mary **continued** to be a virgin until after Jesus was born.



QUESTIONS

1. What are the names of the three beings who make up God?
2. What people have sinned?
3. God loves all people. What does he hate about them?
4. When did the Son become God?
5. When did the Son become a person?
6. Why was Mary surprised when the angel told her she would have a baby?
7. What does the name "Jesus" mean?



IRREGULAR VERBS

Present:

become

Past:

become

Past Participle:

has become

Future:

will become



VOCABULARY

Names of God

God

Father

Son

Holy Spirit

create (v)

obey (v)

sin (v)

hate (v)

holy (adj)

punish (v)

offense (n)

separate (v)

problem (n)

save (v)

human (adj)

engaged (adj)

angel (n)

surprising (adj)

have a baby

virgin (n)

ability (n)

impossible (adj)

servant (n)

savior (n)

continue (v)

Names of People

Mary

Joseph

Jesus

Names of Places

heaven

Israel

Names of Things

Bible

Other

true (adj)

being (n)

Jesus Is Born

Luke 2:1–20



At the time Joseph and Mary got married, the king made everyone travel to their **hometown** to **register**. Mary and Joseph had to travel to a town called **Bethlehem**. It was almost time for Mary to **give birth**. It was very **uncomfortable** for Mary to travel.

When Mary and Joseph got to Bethlehem, there was no place for them to stay. All of the **inns** were full of people. Where could they stay?

Finally a man who owned an inn said they could sleep in his **stable**. While Mary and Joseph were in the stable, Mary gave birth to Jesus. Mary and Joseph thanked God that they could be the parents of this special baby. Mary wrapped cloth around Jesus and laid him in a **manger**.

That night some **shepherds** were in a field taking care of their sheep. **Suddenly** a bright light **shone** in the sky. An angel spoke to them. He said, "Don't be afraid. I bring you good **news**. Today a baby was born in Bethlehem. He has come to earth to save people from their sin. He is the Son of God. This is how you will know who he is when you find him: He is lying in a manger."

When the angel left, the shepherds said to each other, "Let's go to Bethlehem and find this baby."

They **hurried** to Bethlehem and found Mary and Joseph in the stable. Baby Jesus was lying in the manger, as the angel said. The shepherds knew that Jesus was the savior they had been waiting for. They thanked God for sending Jesus to them.

When the shepherds left the stable, they told everyone they saw about the angel and the special baby, Jesus.



QUESTIONS

1. When Mary and Joseph got to Bethlehem, where did they stay?
Why didn't they stay in an inn?
2. Where did Mary lay baby Jesus?
3. Who spoke to the shepherds from the sky?
4. How would the shepherds know who Jesus was when they found him?
5. Who did the shepherds know Jesus was?



IRREGULAR VERBS

Present:

give
shine
speak
know

Past:

gave
shone (or shined)
spoke
knew

Past Participle:

has given
has shone (shined)
has spoken
has known

Future:

will give
will shine
will speak
will know



VOCABULARY

Names of Places

Bethlehem

Other

hometown (n)
register (v)
give birth
uncomfortable (adj)
inn (n)

finally (adv)
stable (n)
manger (n)
shepherd (n)
suddenly (adv)
shine (v)
news (n)
hurry (v)

Jesus Grows Up

Luke 2:41–52



God has all **power**. He can do anything he wants to do. God knows everything. God is everywhere. Jesus was always God. When he came to earth as a baby, he became a person too. When Jesus became a person, he **limited** himself. Jesus did not sin, as other people do. But Jesus got **tired** and **hungry**. He needed to sleep. When he hurt himself, he felt **pain**. He limited himself to learn and think as a child.

Jesus grew into a strong, healthy boy. He listened to his teachers and learned many things. When he was twelve years old, Mary and Joseph took him to **Jerusalem** for a feast. Jesus and his family traveled to Jerusalem with a group of other people. They visited friends and relatives. They went to the temple and **worshiped** God.

When the feast was over, Mary and Joseph started to go home. They thought Jesus was in the group they were traveling with. But that night, when they looked for Jesus, they could not find him. They were very **worried**. They went back to Jerusalem and looked for Jesus.

After three days Mary and Joseph found Jesus in the **temple**. Jesus was sitting with teachers from the temple. He was listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard Jesus was **amazed** that He knew so much about God.

When Mary found Jesus, she **scolded** him. “Why are you **treating** us like this?” she said. “We have been worried about you. We looked all over for you for three days.”

Jesus said, “Why couldn’t you find me? Didn’t you know I would be in my Father’s house?” The temple was God’s house. Jesus knew God was his Father. But Mary and Joseph did not understand what Jesus meant.

Then Jesus went home with Mary and Joseph. He obeyed them and did everything they told him to do.



QUESTIONS

1. What did Jesus and his family do in Jerusalem?
2. Why did Mary and Joseph leave Jerusalem without Jesus?
3. How many days did Mary and Joseph look for Jesus?
4. Where did they find Jesus?
5. Why were the teachers in the temple amazed at Jesus?
6. Did Jesus obey Mary and Joseph?



IRREGULAR VERBS

Present:

grow
take
find

Past:

grew
took
found

Past Participle:

has grown
has taken
has found

Future:

will grow
will take
will find



VOCABULARY

Names of Places

Jerusalem

Other

power (n)
limit (v)
tired (adj)
hungry (adj)
pain (n)

worship (v)
worry (v)
temple (n)
amaze (v)
scold (v)
treat (v)