

The Nativity Story



In Israel, there lived a teen-age girl named _____.
She was engaged to marry a man named _____.



One day Mary was alone in the house. Suddenly, an _____ was there! The _____ told Mary that she was going to have a _____! The name of the boy would be _____. His father would be _____.



Mary told Joseph she was pregnant. He was sad and was going to break the engagement. Then an angel came to _____ in a dream. The angel told him the baby would be _____'s son. Joseph married _____.



The Romans ruled Israel. The _____ said everyone must go to pay taxes in the town _____ their family was from. Joseph's family was from _____. Mary was very pregnant, but they had to walk and ride to _____.



When Mary and Joseph arrived, the town was busy with people paying _____. All the hotels were full! A kind hotel manager told Mary and Joseph that they could stay in his _____ with the animals.



That night Mary had the _____! She named him _____. She and Joseph were very happy!



The night that _____ was born, angels went to some _____ who were watching their sheep. The _____ told them the good news: Jesus was _____! They shepherds visited _____, _____, and _____ in the stable.



At about the same time, some _____ from the East saw a new _____ in the sky. The _____ meant a new king was born! They followed the _____. The _____ led them to _____. They gave him gifts of incense, and myrrh.



Summarize

summarize = say again using only a few words

Summarize the Nativity Story. Use the transition words First, Next, Then, Next, Last.

This is the Christmas story. First, _____
_____. Next, _____.
Then, _____.
After that, _____ Then, _____
_____. Next, _____
_____. Following that, _____.
Finally, _____.

Connect to the story.

When and where were you born? I was _____.
What do you know about your nativity? Write 3 or more sentences.

“Jesus” means “God saves.” Why do you think the angel told Mary to give him that name? _____

Go to babynames.com . In the search box on that page, type your first name. What does your name mean? _____

_____. Why do you think your parents gave you that name? _____

_____ Is there another person in your family, (grandparent, cousin) who has your name? ____ If you could have any name you wanted, which name would you choose? _____ Why? _____
