

Happy Holiday Fun

Try these Christmas ideas to make the season full of fun.

Reporting "Live" from Bethlehem!

Choose one person in your family to be the reporter. Have everyone else choose from Mary, Joseph, the inn keeper, a shepherd or a wise man. As a family read Luke 2:1-20 and Matthew 2:1-12. After you read each passage discuss the different characters—what they may have been thinking or feeling during, before and after Jesus' birth.

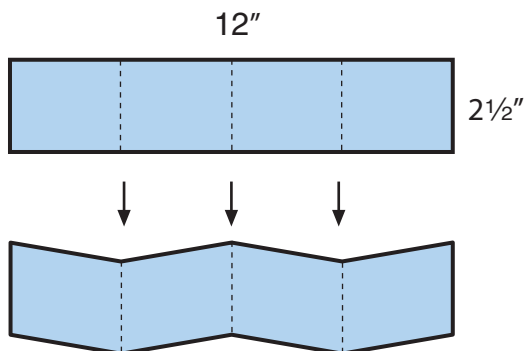
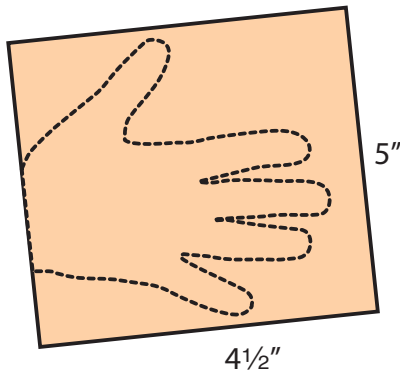
Now have the reporter interview each character as though you are on TV.

Optional: Dress up like your character and video tape the interview.

Jingle Jewelry

- String jingle bells on a piece of red yarn to make a necklace.
- Make a bracelet, using a smaller piece of ribbon or yarn.
- String some bells on your shoelaces—add red ribbons to make bows too.

A Christmas Card with a Message about Jesus!



1. Fold a piece of red or green art paper in half. Write these words on the outside of the card: "God sent Jesus because..." and add decorations.
2. Fold a 9" x 5" piece of paper in half. Draw a hand to fill one side. Cut the folded piece so you have two hands.
3. Cut a length of paper 2 1/2" x 12". Add words GOD LOVES YOU THIS MUCH. Fold the paper accordion style into four 3" sections.
4. Tape the short ends to the hands. Glue one hand on the card as shown and fold together.
5. Decorate and sign the inside. Give the card to a friend.

