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<u>T:</u> Can I identify signs and symbols used in the Christmas story?







What do we use signs and symbols for?







# A **sign** is an action used to give information or an instruction.

Example: She gave him the thumbs-up sign.

## A **symbol** is something that represents or stands for something else.

Example: The gigantic castle was a <u>symbol</u> of his wealth.



### <u>Angels</u>

The angels were a sign of delivering a message from God. Can you remember a moment in the Christmas story when an angel brought a special message?



# Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh

Gold is a symbol of kingship and was given to Jesus to show he would be the king of the Jews.

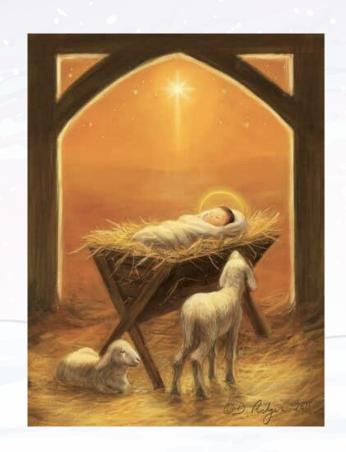
Frankincense is a symbol of deity (a divine being) to show Jesus was the Son of God.

Myrrh is a symbol of death to show Jesus would eventually die for our sins.



#### The Star

The star was a sign
Jesus had been born. The
star was bright enough
to guide the wise men to
the stable.



#### The crib

The crib symbolises Jesus as a different type of King, because he wasn't born in a huge palace. Instead, he laid in a crib, which shows the peace he would bring to the world.



### The donkey

The donkey was a sign of peace, because horses were usually used to go to war. However, Mary chose to ride on a donkey and later on in the Bible, Jesus would ride on a donkey into Jerusalem before his death.

### Today's Task:

Create a poster to display the different signs and symbols in the Christmas story.

Draw the signs and symbols on your paper from the slides you have looked at.

Explain what they symbolise.

Don't forget to send your beautiful posters by email to Miss Hung.





Signs and symbols in the Christmas story





