

Going Deeper

Learning Intentions:

- *I have read part of the Christmas story for myself.*
- *I have considered what it teaches about Jesus and what that teaches me about Christian belief.*
- *I have thought about the characters in the story and can describe what they might have been thinking or saying.*

Session Outline:

- *Read it themselves. Allocate each group a part of the story. (print it out for them from the Bible. See attached document.) Encourage them to underline any words they don't understand. Write underneath any questions they have.*
- *Come back together and discuss those words and questions.*
- *Ask each group to consider these questions, write down their answer and be ready to report back.*
 - *What do you learn about Jesus? (in your part of the story)*
 - *What do you think that means? Can you explain it?*
- *Create a character (make/draw/technology) from your part of the story. Give them a speech bubbles – they must fill in what they think their character might have been saying. Give them a thought bubbles – they must fill in what they think the character was thinking? Ensure face shows emotion/feelings. Do they tell us anything about God/what Christians should be like?*