

JANUARY 2: EPIPHANY STAR THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

INCLUDED:

9 Yellow Paper Bags
3 Tape Stickers
String for Hanging
Cutting Template
Glitter Glue Pen
Mini Bottle of Glue



USE YOUR OWN:

Pencil, Scissors



MATTHEW 2:1-12



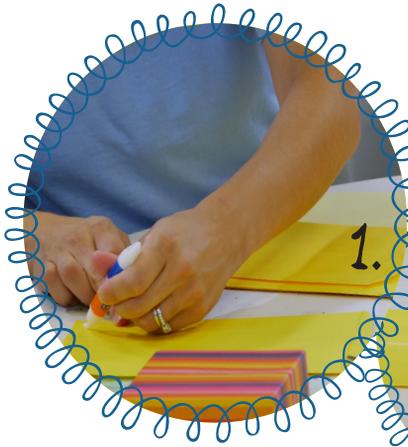
When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled, and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, He inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They said to him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written through the prophet:

And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
since from you shall come a ruler,
who is to shepherd my people Israel."

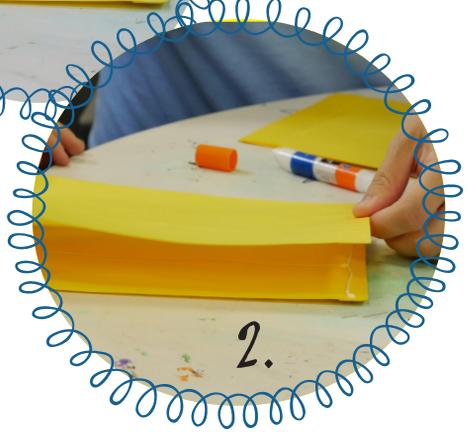
Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained from them the time of the star's appearance. He sent them to Bethlehem and said, "Go and search diligently for the child. When you have found him, bring me word, that I too may go and do him homage." After their audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.

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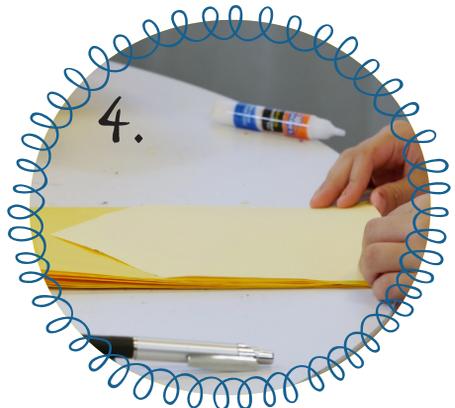
1. Lay a bag out flat in front of you. With glue, make a "T" shape across the bottom and down the middle of the bag. Do not glue the opening of the bag, the bag closed.



2. Carefully lay bag 2 on top of bag 1 in the same orientation, so the openings to the bags are together.

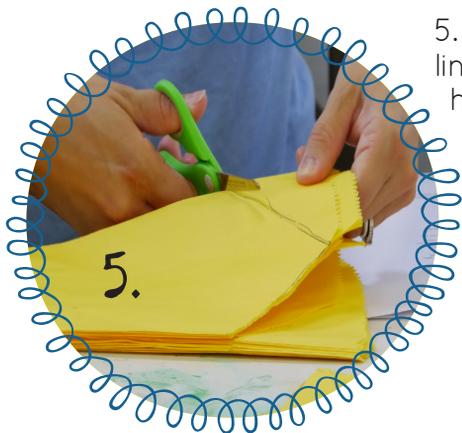


3. Repeat steps 1 & 2 with the rest of the bags. Wait about 10 minutes for the glue to dry.



4. Lay the cutting template on top of the stack of bags with the wide part across the bottom of the bags and the point near the opening of the bags.

Trace the template with your pencil. This will be your cutting line.



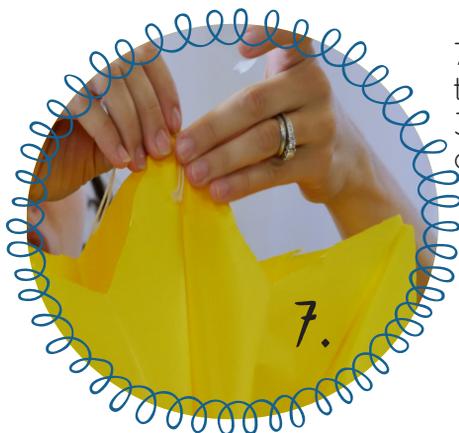
5. Using scissors, cut along the lines. You may need to have an adult help you.

a. In the Gospel, what did the wise men see?

6. Open the bags to create your star! Secure the ends of the star with 2 tape stickers.



b. What did the star's appearance mean?



7. Knot the ends of the string together, forming a loop. Use the 3rd tape sticker to attach the loop of string to the star for hanging.

c. How did the wise men feel at seeing the star that led them to Jesus?

8. Use your glitter glue to decorate your Epiphany Star.

9. Hang up your star to let the glitter glue dry.



Q What would you bring to baby Jesus as a gift?

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a. They saw the star that they had been told about.

b. The star revealed the birth of the King of the Jews, Jesus.

c. The wise men were “overjoyed at seeing the star”.