

# The Gifts of the Magi follow up Task



Here is a map of the Middle East. Find and label these places, using an atlas, or use Google Earth, or an online map. Draw lines to the map to show where they are:

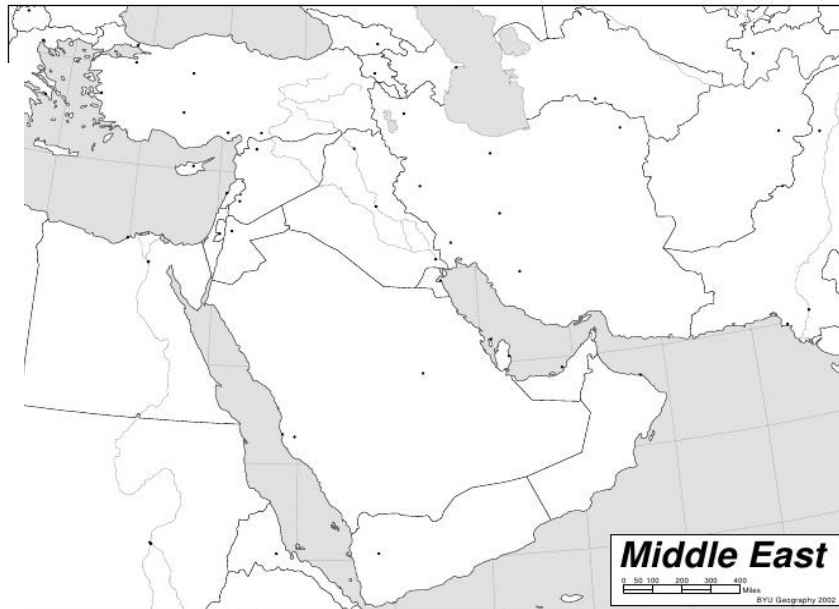
Bethlehem

Jerusalem

Iran

Iraq

Saudi Arabia



Turkey

Syria

Israel

Yemen

Now choose the correct statement to answer the questions:

1. What is a prophet?

- A rich person.
- A wise and holy person.
- A person who can predict the future.

2. In what way were the Magi prophets?

- The gifts they gave predicted Jesus's future.
- The gifts they gave made Jesus rich.
- The gifts were useful for baby Jesus.

3. Why did the magi give such unusual gifts to Jesus? Choose the **3** statements you think are true:

- The gifts show that Jesus was special.
- The gold would mean Jesus could be rich.
- The presents were useful for Mary and Joseph.
- The gifts are symbols of things that will happen to Jesus in the future.
- The gifts show Jesus would be important
- The gifts show that Jesus was the 'Messiah' who was predicted by the prophets.

4. How do each of the gifts predict the future? Each of the gifts was like a prophecy.

Match each of the gifts to their prophecy.



Gold =



Frankincense =



Myrrh =

- A. Used in religious worship for holiness - Jesus was a holy person, his birth and the holiness of his being was prophesised.
- B. Used in religious worship for holiness - Jesus was a holy person, his birth and the holiness of his being was prophesised.
- C. Used to embalm dead bodies - predicts Jesus' death and sacrifice at a young age.
5. Why are the gifts of the Magi so important to Christians? Choose 1 idea:
- They show Jesus was just an ordinary baby
  - They show Jesus was poor
  - They fulfil an ancient prophecy and so show that Jesus really was special
  - They show Jesus was born a long time ago
  - They show the Magi had lots of money
6. What gift would you give and why?