

2. Happy Birthday, Jesus!

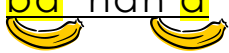
Luke 2



The angels said, "For there is born to you today, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord."

Luke 2:10

Part 1 **Happy Birthday, Jesus!** Words in Syllable Types

closed short vowel stop	open long vowel go	silent e long vowel cave	vowel teams long vowel eat
ask daz- trav- back smell felt them slept -ment trip strips top God cloth wob- us must -us	ba by Sa vior be she Je sus no Jo seph mo ment hu man ru ler ba by wob bly	made gave came here time life in side be side rode shone	wait pain laid day stay donk ey night bright room grew news
vowel teams other sounds oil	r-controlled orange	consonant l-e purple	other
out count ed down towns crowd ed joy law good	star hard barn dark her ru ler first birth for born Lord	peo ple -el trav el other sounds -ind,-old, -etc. cold old	-nk, -ng bank thing sing ing daz zling long ang el donk ey schwa ba nan a  Naz a reth

Part 2 **Happy Birthday, Jesus!** New Words, Rule Breakers

Soft g

gentle, giant, gym

angel

Silent Letters

wrapped **Christmas**

New Words

great Mary Christ




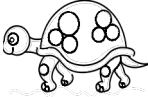
walked angels Nazareth Bethlehem

Rule Breakers

the	been	many	you
of	everyone	walk	your
son	where	was	
his	there	were	

Part 3 **Happy Birthday, Jesus!**

Dividing Words into Syllables

Divided into syllables	Full Words	Divided into syllables	Full Words
1. rab bit words		2. ti ger words	
hap py	happy	Je sus	Jesus
bel ly	belly	Jo seph	Joseph
3. cam el words		ba by	baby
trav el	travel	Sa vior	Savior
Mar y	Mary	mo ment	moment
4. tur tle words		ru lers	rulers
peo ple	people	hu man	human

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5. ham ster words		8. foxes suffixes	
wob bly	wobbly	hard ly	hardly
daz zling	dazzling	crowd ed	crowded
6. li on words		count ed	counted
qui et	quiet	<u>tr</u> aveled	traveled
7. ant eater words		<u>ch</u> anged	changed
birth day	birthday	<u>w</u> alked	walked
in side	inside	<u>wr</u> apped	wrapped
be side	beside	<u>a</u> s ked	asked
every one	everyone	sing ing	singing
9. other syllable divisions			
a way	away		
Naz a reth	Nazareth		

Part 4 **Happy Birthday, Jesus!** Easy Read English

Joseph and Mary could hardly wait for their son to be born. Mary's belly grew big as baby Jesus grew big inside her.

The rulers of Nazareth made a law. Everyone must be counted. People went back to the towns where they were born.

Joseph and Mary traveled to Bethlehem. Mary rode on top of a wobbly donkey. Joseph walked beside the donkey on that long, hard trip. Bethlehem was crowded. "Can we stay at your inn?" Joseph asked.

"No. There is no room here." So, Mary and Joseph slept in a cold, dark, smelly barn. In the night, Mary felt pain. It was time.

She gave birth to her first son. Jesus, the king of the world, was born! Life changed at that moment in time. God came to us as a human.

Mary wrapped Jesus in strips of cloth. She laid him where the donkeys ate. A dazzling, bright star shone down on them.

First one, and then many angels burst out singing, "We bring you good news of great joy. A Savior has been born. He is Christ the Lord."

It was the first Christmas.

Questions

1. Who is Jesus?
2. What was the first Christmas like?
3. How does your family celebrate Jesus' birthday?
4. How can you celebrate the birth of Jesus, instead of only thinking about toys and Santa?

Prayer

Dear Jesus,
Happy Birthday! Thank you for leaving heaven to come to earth. Thank you for living among us as a human. You bring us joy. I want to bring you joy, too. Merry Christmas! Amen

Write above the angels their good news.



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Part 5 **Happy Birthday, Jesus!** Vocabulary

<p>1. enroll (en-ROLL): register (sign up)</p>	<p>4. pledge (pledge): promise</p>
<p>2. behold (be - HOLD): see!</p>	<p>5. Savior (SA- vior): God who saves</p>
<p>3. trough (trough): a box that holds food for barn animals</p>	<p>6. multitude (MUL - ti - tude): a crowd</p>

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Luke 2:1-14

World English Bible (WEB)

Now in those days, a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be enrolled. It was the first enrollment made when Quirinius was governor of Syria.

All went to enroll themselves, everyone to his own city. Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judea, to David's city, which is called Bethlehem, because he was of the house and family of David;

to enroll himself with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him as wife, being pregnant.

While they were there, the day had come for her to give birth.

She gave birth to her firstborn son. She wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a feeding trough, because there was no room for them in the inn.

There were shepherds in the same country staying in the field, and keeping watch by night over their flock.

Behold, an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. The angel said to them, “Don’t be afraid, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be to all the people. For there is born to you today, in David’s city, a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. This is the sign to you: you will find a baby wrapped in strips of cloth, lying in a feeding

trough.” Suddenly, there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army praising God, and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, on earth peace, good will toward men.”