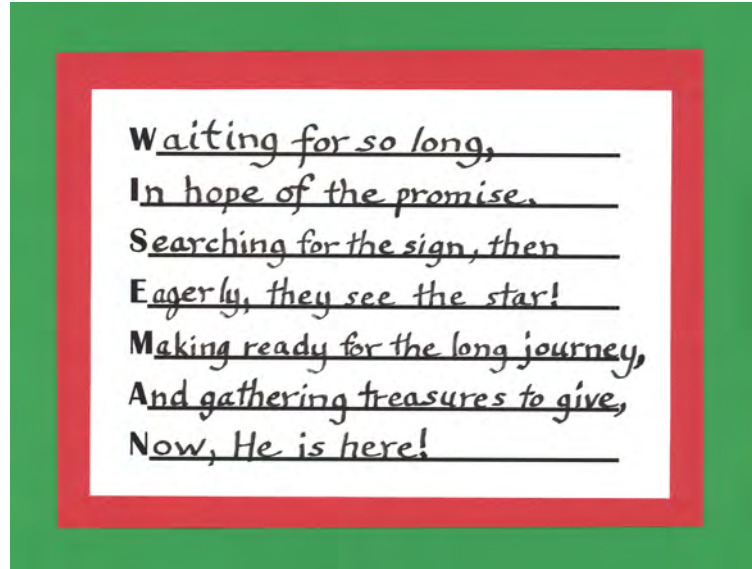


Christmas Heroes Acrostic Poem

There are many heroes in the Christmas story. Mary, Joseph, the shepherds, and the wise men all acted bravely to protect the Lord while He was a child so He could fulfill His mission on earth. The Lord Himself is the ultimate hero. He took on a human body to overcome the power of the hells for the sake of all people.

Write an acrostic poem about one of the heroes of the Christmas story. An acrostic poem is one in which the first letter of every line spells out a name or a word vertically. Choose one of 5 options: Mary, Lord, Shepherd, Joseph, and Wiseman.



Materials Needed

scrap paper
pens, markers, pencils
a copy of *Christmas Hero Acrostic Poem*
optional: dictionary, rhyming dictionary
optional: decorative pens
optional: scissors, colored paper for mounting

Directions

1. Choose a person from the Christmas story you wish to write a poem about. Choices include the Lord, Mary, Joseph, Shepherd and Wiseman.
2. Look at the questions at the top of *Christmas Hero Acrostic Poem*. Use these questions to start thinking about the person you have chosen. Write down your thoughts on a piece of scrap paper.
3. *Optional*: If you are stuck on a particular letter, for example the letter "Y" use a dictionary to help you find words.
4. Write a rough draft of your poem on scrap paper. When you are happy with your poem, write a clean copy using decorative pens if desired.
5. *Optional*: Finish your poem by cutting off the rest of the page and mounting it on colored. (See above.)

Christmas Hero Acrostic Poem

Write an acrostic poem using the names of heroes from the Christmas story. Here are a few questions to help you brainstorm.

1. Who was this person?
2. How did this person protect the Lord?
3. How did he or she learn about the Lord's birth?
4. How did he or she recognize such a tiny baby was the Lord?
5. Did this person give something to the Lord?
6. Who did this person meet in the story?
7. How do you think this person felt?

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