

MERRY CHRISTMAS

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Put on this Christmas program with your family or Primary.

- Make a poster for each letter in *Merry Christmas*. Write the part for each letter on the back of its poster.
- Choose a narrator and someone to hold up each poster. If you don't have enough people, everyone can read more than one part.
- If you'd like, dress up like shepherds, angels, and Wise Men. Line up in order as you read your parts.

NARRATOR: Of all the Christmas wishes you can share this time of year, There's one phrase in particular we love to say and hear. Those two words, *Merry Christmas*, put a grin on every face. We thought you'd like to see each letter's meaning, in its place.

M is for the *manger* filled with hay so soft and deep. A humble bed where baby Jesus cuddled down to sleep.

SONG: "Away in a Manger," *Children's Songbook*, 42–43.

E is for *excitement* that we feel the whole month through. We laugh and play, sing Christmas songs, and smile at people too!

R can stand for *red*, a Christmas color, fun and bright. Combined with green it makes our decorations look just right.

R also means *reverent*. As we think of Jesus's birth, We remember that our Savior came to live for us on earth.

Y is for *yuletide*, which means the Christmas season— A magic time of love and kindness. Jesus is the reason!

SONG: "Have a Very Merry Christmas!" *Children's Songbook*, 51.

C is for *candles* that can fill our homes with light. It also means the Christ child who was born that holy night.



H is for the *happiness* we feel this time of year. Everywhere we go, we try to spread some Christmas cheer.

R is for *rejoicing*, living life with love and joy. Our Savior gave a precious gift to every girl and boy.

SONG: "Joy to the World," *Hymns*, no. 201.

I is for *inviting*, reaching out to make new friends— Plates of cookies to deliver, Christmas cards to send!

S is for the *shepherds* watching over flocks with care. They hurried off to Bethlehem to meet the Christ child there.

T is for *togetherness*, seeing family near and far, Long trips to visit relatives by plane or train or car.

M is for a *miracle*. Heavenly Father sent His Son. No one else could take His place. He was the Chosen One.

SONG: "He Sent His Son," *Children's Songbook*, 34–35.

A is for the *angels* who brought tidings of good news. To share those tidings with our friends is something we can choose.

S is for the *star* that guided seekers long ago. That Christmas light still guides us now, no matter where we go.

NARRATOR: We wish you, "Merry Christmas!" It's a lovely thing to say. We're glad you came to celebrate and sing with us today.

There's only one more song to share before we soon depart, A Christmas tune that touches each and every Christmas heart.

SONG: "Silent Night," *Hymns*, no. 204.

