

Knowledge Organiser: AUTUMN 2

Year 5 RE: Christmas: The two birth narratives

(interpretation)

Vocabulary	Meaning
narratives	a spoken or written account of connected events
interpretati on	the meaning of something and the way something is explained or understood
bible	the Christian Holy Book, which contains the old and new testament
gospels	teachings of Jesus Christ and the Apostles
The book of Matthew	the first book of the new testament (within the bible). When looking at the birth narratives Matthew emphasises Jewish traditions through his writing and depicted Jesus in this way.
The book of Luke	Within the new testament, when looking at the birth narratives Luke was writing for a non-Jewish (gentile) audience and depicted Jesus as a universal saviour for everyone, rich and poor
fairness	impartial treatment of various parties
motive	a reason for doing something

Assessment focus – Apply

Begin to explain some examples of how their responses relate to events in their own and other people's lives

On what occasions and in what situations is interpretation significant?

Key knowledge - Two different narratives

The story about the birth of Jesus is found in two of the four **gospels – Matthew and Luke**. It is not in the other two **gospels of Mark and** John at all. The two stories have similarities, such as Jesus is born in Bethlehem and the family make their home in Nazareth. The two stories have differences, such as the shepherds in Luke and the wise men in Matthew. This is because each of the gospel writers interpreted the story of Jesus in a way that highlighted what was important to them as a writer





