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A. he wanted to put Mary away quietly B. an angel visited him C. Mary left town D. all of the above
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Who told Joseph to go to Bethlehem?  
A. Mary's mother B. the angel Gabriel C. Caesar Augustus D. Alexander the Great
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. How did Mary and Joseph travel to Bethlehem?  
A. by camel B. by donkey C. by Volkswagen D. the Bible doesn't say
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A. shop for Christmas B. pay taxes C. find a new wife D. the Bible doesn't say
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A. there's no room in the inn B. you can use my stable C. come back after Christmas D. the Bible doesn't say
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Mary was a virgin when she delivered Jesus. True or False
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A. cows, sheep, goats B. camels, donkeys, dogs C. roosters, doves, cats D. the Bible doesn't say
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. A manger is: A. a wooden cradle B. a feeding trough C. a port-a-crib D. a wash basin
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A. one B. three C. a multitude D. the Bible doesn't say
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. What sign did the angels tell the shepherds to look for?  
A. a Christmas tree B. a star C. a baby wrapped in cloths D. a baby that doesn't cry
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. What did the heavenly host say to the shepherds?  
A. Go Tell It on the Mountain B. Sweet Little Jesus Boy C. Glory to God in the Highest D. O Little Town of Bethlehem
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. What is a Heavenly Host?  
A. angels at the pearly gate B. an army of angels C. an angel choir D. angels who serve refreshments
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- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. The wise men stopped in Jerusalem:  
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A. three B. a host C. 5,000 D. the Bible doesn't say
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A. university professors B. eastern kings C. early astronomers D. Medieval musicians
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