

THE BABY JESUS DOLL

(10-15 MINUTES)

Materials

- ◆ fabric
- ◆ tongue depressors
- ◆ yarn
- ◆ small cardboard jewelry boxes (type used for earrings)
- ◆ straw or dried grass

Standard Supplies

- ◆ fine-tip felt pens
- ◆ glue
- ◆ scissors
- ◆ ruler

Preparation: Cut fabric into 2-inch (5-cm) squares. Cut tongue depressors to fit inside jewelry box. Cut yarn into small pieces.

Instruct each child in the following procedures:

- ◆ Spread glue on one side of the rounded edge of tongue depressor (sketch a).
- ◆ Press yarn pieces onto glue to make hair (sketch b).
- ◆ Glue straw or dried grass to the inside of small jewelry box.
- ◆ Use felt pens to draw facial features on the tongue-depressor doll (sketch b).
- ◆ Place tongue depressor doll in straw and cover with fabric piece (sketch c).

Simplification Idea: Teacher draws facial features on tongue depressor.

Enrichment Idea: Children use crayons to decorate box.

Bible Bits: What is the name of God's Son? Where was Jesus born? (In a stable.) Jesus' mother put the baby Jesus in a manger filled with hay. Jesus came to earth as a baby, and then He grew to be a man. Jesus came to tell people about God's love.

