

MARY AND JOSEPH MANGER SCENE

(15-20 MINUTES)

Materials

- ◆ Manger Scene Patterns
- ◆ Fun Foam or colored paper in light blue, dark blue, pink and brown
- ◆ fabric scraps
- ◆ yellow tissue paper

For each child—

- ◆ four tongue depressors

Standard Supplies

- ◆ 8½×11-inch (21.5×27.5-cm) sheets of purple card stock
- ◆ pen
- ◆ brown crayons or felt pens
- ◆ glue
- ◆ scissors
- ◆ ruler

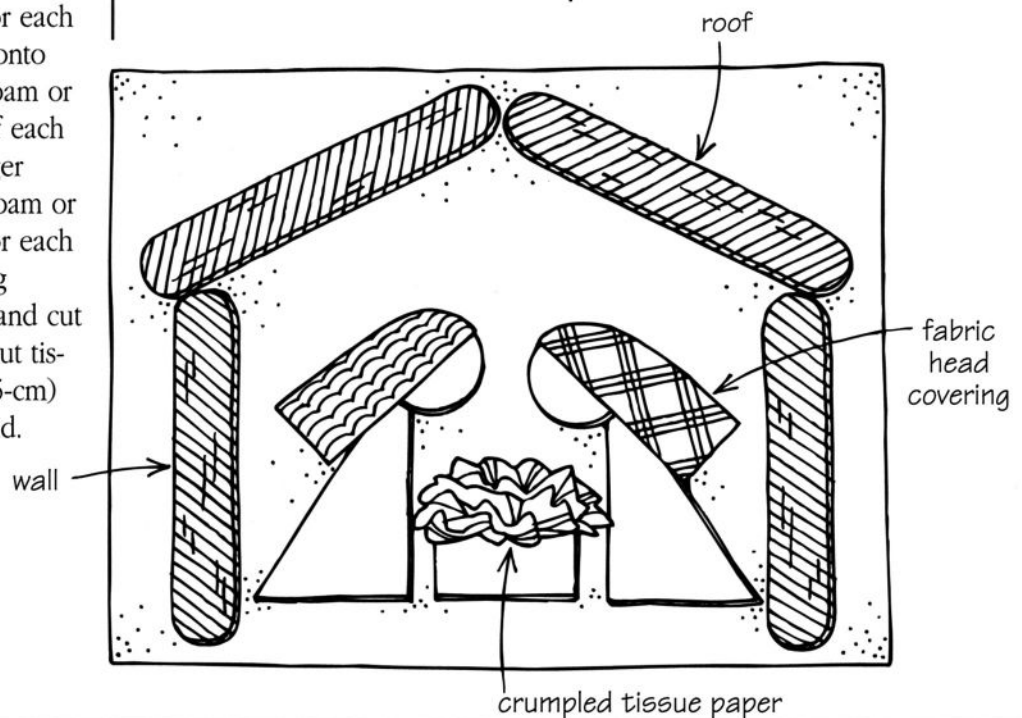
Preparation: Trace Head Pattern onto pink Fun Foam or colored paper and cut out—two for each child. Trace Body Pattern onto dark and light blue Fun Foam or paper and cut out—one of each for each child. Trace Manger Pattern onto brown Fun Foam or paper and cut out—one for each child. Trace Head Covering Pattern onto fabric scraps and cut out—two for each child. Cut tissue paper into 5-inch (12.5-cm) squares—one for each child.

Instruct each child in the following procedures:

- ◆ Color four tongue depressors with brown crayons or felt pens.
- ◆ Lay the purple card stock horizontally. Glue two tongue depressors near the top edge to make the stable's roof (see sketch).
- ◆ Glue a tongue depressor onto each side of card stock to make the stable's walls.
- ◆ Glue the brown piece of foam or paper in the center bottom of the stable to make the manger.
- ◆ Crumple tissue square and glue to the top of manger for hay.

- ◆ Glue one triangle body piece on each side of manger to make Mary and Joseph (see sketch).
- ◆ Glue head circles on top of triangle bodies.
- ◆ Glue fabric onto heads to make head coverings.
- ◆ Allow glue to dry.

Bible Bits: Why was Jesus born in a stable? (Mary and Joseph couldn't find anywhere else to stay.) Where did baby Jesus sleep? (In a manger.) Jesus was God's own Son. Mary and Joseph were glad that God had chosen them to take care of baby Jesus. Do you have a baby at home that you help take care of?



MANGER SCENE PATTERNS

