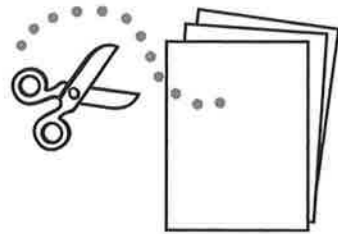


THE STAR

PREPARATION



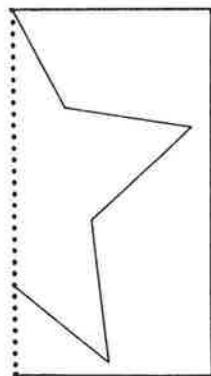
You'll need scissors and one sheet of yellow construction paper.

THE STORY

Long ago, there lived some wise men. They liked to study and find out about things. They especially liked to learn about the sky and the stars. What do you like to learn about? *Let children respond.*

One night these wise men saw a special star. They thought it might be a sign. They studied the star and decided it was a sign that a king had been born.

They decided to go and see the new king. After they packed gifts for the king, they set out on their journey. How do you think they knew which way to go? How did they travel? *Let children respond.*



Fold the paper horizontally.

The wise men went over long roads.

Cut figure from A to B.

They went up steep mountains.

Cut figure from B to C.

They went down hills.

Cut figure from C to D.

They went across a flat desert.

Cut figure from D to E.

They went on curvy roads and straight roads.

Cut figure from E to F.

Unfold the figure and hold it high.

All this while, the wise men were following the star. And pretty soon, the star led them right to the baby king. They gave him their gifts. They bowed down and worshiped him.

Who was this baby king? *Let children respond.*

This baby king was Jesus, God's own son.

