

Christmas gifts

Group activity worksheet



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Quality street - gifts for everyone

We all like to receive material presents at Christmas and we also spend time planning what we can afford to give to other people.

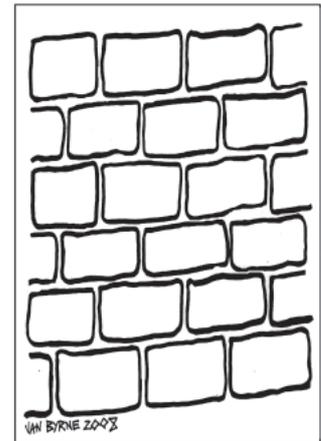
What would it be like, though, if we could give people (or groups of people) qualities at Christmas? We often wish each other JOY or PEACE or WEALTH or HAPPINESS at Christmas; imagine what it would be like if we could actually give someone that quality.

In this activity each student creates a colourful, carefully written card with the quality they would like to give someone (or a group of people) on the card.

You will need:

- a graffiti wall
- cards for the students.

Prepare in advance a Graffiti wall. This can easily be achieved by using a display board backed with plain paper. Draw outlines of bricks (like a brick wall) for use during and beyond this session.



Action

1 Explain that the students are going to imagine they have the power to give qualities as Christmas presents.

2 Discuss what qualities would make good presents, for each other, for the school, or even for the world. Writing a list may be helpful.

Examples might be: friendship, fun, courage, happiness, peace, success, communication, honesty - anything really.

3 Students silently decided to whom they would like to give their quality. Each student illustrates the quality on a piece of card. Once finished, allow students to attach their cards to the graffiti wall.

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4 Take some time to look at the finished wall. Appreciate the care and colour there but, most of all, look at the qualities the group would like to give to others. See if any students are willing to talk about the gifts that they have given and who they would like to receive it.



5 Now each student decides which one of the qualities they would like to be given for Christmas. They don't have to tell anyone which one they have chosen; just encourage them keep it in their minds as much as possible during the Christmas holiday.

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