

PRIMARY THREE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

LESSON NOTES

TERM III

WEEK1: Lesson 1

FORGIVENESS AND ACCEPTANCE

1. What is forgiveness?

Forgiveness means stopping being angry with some body for something he/she has done wrong.

2. If you want somebody to stop being angry with you, say, “please forgive me” or “please, am sorry.”

3. **Traditional ways of encouraging forgiveness**

- Paying a fine i.e. a cock, goat etc.
- Sharing a meal.
- Saying sorry to a person wronged.
- Using another person (mediator) to reconcile the two people friends again.
- Re-accepting the offender into the family.

4. Draw, name and colour any one traditional way of encouraging forgiveness

WEEK1: Lesson 2

1. Reasons why we need to forgive

We need to forgive others because:

- God also forgives us
- Everybody makes mistakes
- Forgiveness helps us to live and work together happily
- Forgiveness prevents bad out comes like hatred, fighting etc.
- It serves as a lesson to the person forgiven to also forgive others who wrong him/her.
- Jesus showed us an example when he forgave those who hated him.

2. Examples of people who forgave one another in the Bible

- Jacob and Esau(Genesis33:1-11)
- Joseph and his brothers(Genesis45:1-5)

- King Darius and Daniel(Daniel 6:13-23)
- The prodigal son and his father(Luke 15:11-31)

WEEK2: Lesson 1

Resolving misunderstanding without violence

1. To resolve means to find a solution or an answer to a problem.

2. The word violence means an act of using physical force e.g. fighting.

3. **How Jesus teaches about resolving misunderstanding without violence**

(**Matthew** 18:15-16)

Steps:

- Solve it in private with a person who has wronged you.
- If the person does not listen, take/call other two people.
- If he/she does not listen to the two, take it to the church (group).
- If he/she does not listen to the church (group) take the case to LC or court.

WEEK2: Lesson 2

1. Causes of misunderstandings/violence

- Physical differences e.g. height, colour and body shape.
- Religious differences e.g. some are Catholics, Protestants, Pentecostals etc.
- Cultural differences e.g. Buganda, Acholi, Karamajong.
- Racial differences e.g. the black and white.
- Home differences e.g. the rich and the poor.
- Differences in education.

2. We are all God's children regardless of our differences.

3. We should accept and be tolerant to other peoples' differences to live peacefully.

4. Ways of accepting and tolerating other peoples' differences

- Loving and caring for one another.
- Over looking our differences
- Praying together
- Sharing time of sorrow and joy
- Knowing that we are all God's children

WEEK3: Lesson 1

TOPICAL TEST

1. What should you do after annoying a friend?
2. Name any two traditional ways of encouraging forgiveness.
3. Give two reasons why we should forgive others.
4. What lesson do we learn from the parable of the lost son?
5. Name one group of people who forgave one another.
6. Mention any two differences that exist among people.
7. Which prophet was thrown in the lion's den?

WEEK3: Lesson 2

TREATING OTHERS FAIRLY

1. Being fair means treating each person equally.

2. Unfairness is the opposite of fairness.

2. Common examples of fair behaviour

- Marking all pupils' books and awarding right marks.
- Allowing all family members to have meals.
- Buying clothes to all children in a family.
- Punishing all late comers at school.

4. **Common examples of unfairness**

- Marking some pupil's books and leaving others unmarked.
- Punishing some late comers and leaving others unpunished.
- Forcing an adult to follow a certain religion.
- Buying clothes for children and leaving others.
- Giving food to some children and starving others.

WEEK4: Lesson 1

1. **Results of fair behavior.**

- Bring happiness to people.
- It pleases God.
- It solves mis-understandings.
- It brings God's blessing.
- It brings unity among people in the family.

2. **Results of unfair behavior**

- Fighting
- Hatred
- Unhappiness

- Quarreling
- Revenge
- Annoying God
- Curses
- Spread of diseases among the people

WEEK4: Lesson 2

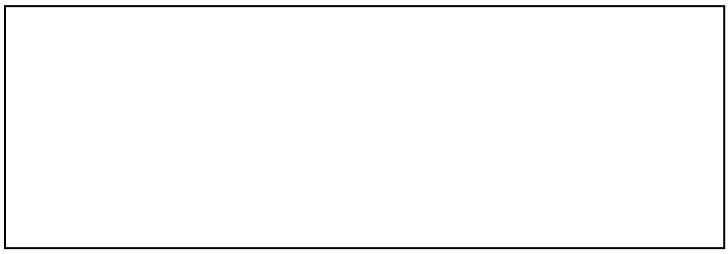
1. Reasons why some people behave unfairly

- Too much love for money.
- Failure to obey God's commandments.
- Need to please one person/group of people.
- Failure to know the right way of doing things.
- Too much love for success.
- Failure to listen to advice.
- Need to revenge.
- Failure to follow the rules and laws.

2. Ways how you can act fairly

- Doing what you wish others to do for you.
- Being God fearing.
- Doing things according to the set rules or laws.
- Doing good to those who have wronged you.
- Reporting unfair people to authorities.
- Pray to God to help you act fairly.
- Pray to God to change unfair people into fair ones.

2. Draw and colour yourself acting fairly.



WEEK5: Lesson 1

How John the Baptist teaches us to be fair

(Luke 3:10-13)

John the Baptist teaches us the following:

- To share with others.
- Not to collect money (tax) more than what the Law requires.
- Not to take away ones money by force.
- To be contented of our pay.

WEEK5: Lesson 2

Cheating

1. What is cheating?

It means to take away something from somebody dishonestly or unfairly.

2. Forms of cheating

- Not giving back balance/change to your parents after buying something.
- Getting answers from a book, paper or friend in exams.
- Exchanging a bad pencil or pen with another person without his/ her knowledge.
- Exchanging cards in a play.
- Embezzling company/church funds.
- Diverting school fees to buying personal needs.

WEEK6: Lesson 1

Examples of people who cheated in the Bible

a)Jacob ;

- Cheated his brother, Esau's blessing .(Genesis27:1-33)
- He also cheated his uncle, Laban's flock.(Genesis3:31-43)

b)Judas Iscariot;

- He used to cheat church funds (John12:1-6)
- He was bribed for 30 silver pieces to betray Jesus.(Matthew26:14-16)

c) The sons of priest Eli:

- Used to cheat God's offerings.(1Samuel2:12-17}

WEEK6: Lesson 2

1. **Reasons why cheating is bad**

- It is against God's commandments.
- It stops some people from being successful.
- People do not trust a cheat.
- Cheating is punishable
- It leads to curses
- It stops God's blessing i.e. God does not bless a cheat
- Cheats will not go to heaven

2. Ways how you can avoid cheating

- Following God's commandments.
- Avoid being money greed.
- Respect rules and laws of an area or place.
- Report cheats to police, teachers or parents.
- Work hard for success.

WEEK7:Lesson1

TOPICAL TEST

1. Mention two examples of unfair behaviour.
2. Give two reasons why some people behave unfairly.
3. How does John the Baptist teach us about fairness in Luke 3:10-13
4. What is cheating?
5. Identify two forms of cheating.
6. Who cheated his brother's blessing in the book of Genesis?
7. Give two reasons why some people cheat.
8. Give two reasons why cheating is a bad act.
9. What can you do to a person who cheats an examination?

WEEK7: Lesson 2

JESUS BRINGS JOY

Old prophesies about Jesus

The following were fore told about Jesus' birth and were true:

- That Jesus was to be born by a virgin woman.(Isaiah7:14)
- That Jesus would be born in a small town called Bethlehem.(Micah5:2)
- That he would be born in the lineage of King David.(Luke2:4)
- That Jesus would be a saviour for all people.

Preparation for Christmas

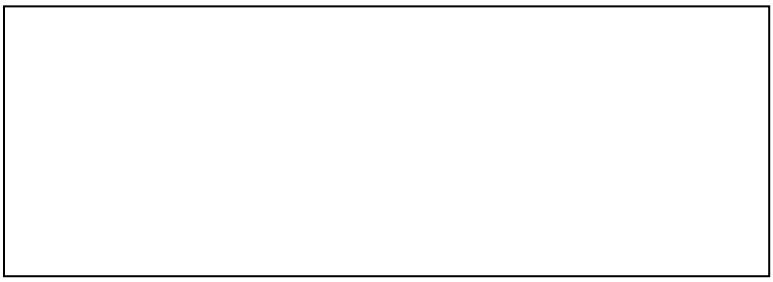
1. Jesus was born on the first **Christmas.**

2. Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ on **25th December** every year.

3. What things do Christians do during Christmas celebrations?

- Repenting their sin
- Buying new clothes and shoes.
- Cleaning the compound.
- Sending Christmas cards to friends and relatives.
- Praying together in churches.
- Singing Christmas carols.

4. Draw and colour baby Jesus in a manger.

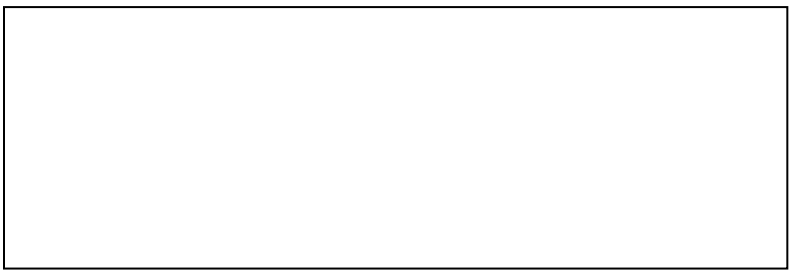


WEEK8: Lesson 1

1. **Ways how we can share Christmas joy with others**

- By reading the bible together.
- Praying together.
- Singing Christmas songs / carols.
- Listening to Christmas carols.
- Exchanging gifts.
- Eating and drinking together.

2. Draw and colour yourself and your family celebrating a Christmas day.



WEEK8: Lesson 2

Meaning of different names

a) Jesus; The saviour

b)Emmanuel: God is with us

C) Peter: A rock

d))Abraham: Father of many nations

e)Sarah; Mother of many nations

f)Jacob: A liar or a cheat

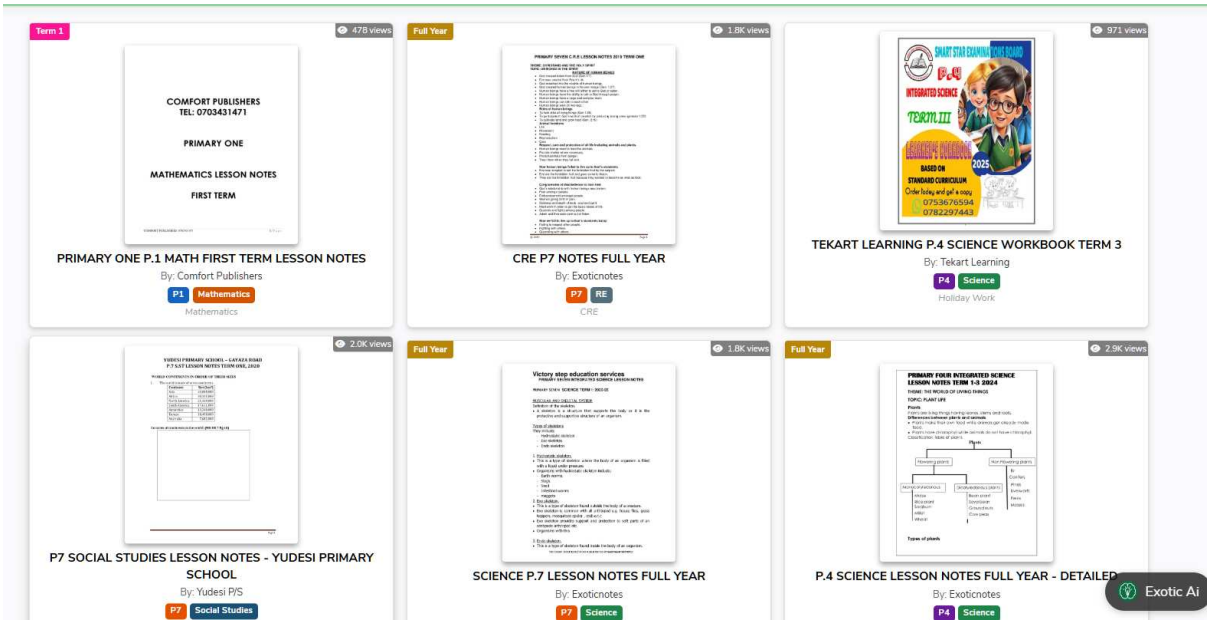
TOPICAL TEST

1. On which day do Christians celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ?
2. In which town was Jesus Christ born?
3. Name three things you do during Christmas season.
4. Why Jesus was called the saviour?
5. Who was Jesus' mother?

6, Give two ways in which Jesus fulfilled what was said about him by the old prophets?

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