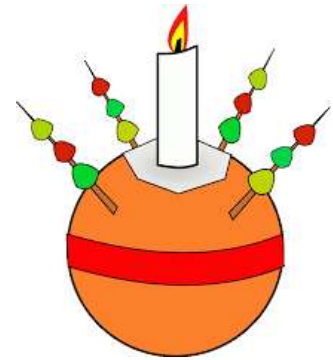


Here's how to make your own Christingle:

You will need:

- 1 Orange
- 1 Candle and square of foil
- Red sticky tape or a piece of red ribbon (with pin)
- Cocktail sticks
- Sweets and/or dried fruit



Instructions:

1. If the orange does not sit flat, cut a small slice off the bottom (with adult supervision, please!) An adult will help you to make a hole in the top of the orange. Wrap the foil around the base of the candle and insert into the hole.
2. Stick a length of red tape around the widest part of the orange. Alternatively, wrap a piece of red ribbon around the orange and fix with a pin.
3. Thread sweets and dried fruit onto 4 cocktail sticks and push these into the orange as shown in the photograph.

Talk About: the symbols of the Christingle: God's red ribbon of love around the world and God's gifts in creation. God sent Jesus not just for a one-off visit, but rather God planned by the Holy Spirit to pass on his light to each and every one of us in every place. The light of the Christingle candle can go on forever, if we become the candles! We are to be the light now that brings God's love and healing to the world until Jesus comes again.