

From Darkness to Light

The Light shines and the Darkness goes



**Exploring the themes of
Darkness and Light in the Christmas Story,
using video clips, puppet characters, pause
points for discussion and a worksheet.**

NOTES FOR TEACHERS

Total length: The video lasts 23 minutes. Please allow an extra 5 minutes for discussion at three 'pause points'. There is also an option of a worksheet to complete at the end of the whole video.

Three parts: There are three parts to the story. They can be watched either in one sitting or one part at a time whenever it suits your class. A 'pause point' image appears on the screen at the end of each part.



Pause and Discuss: In each part there is a 'pause point' image and question. The puppets ask the question: **Did you notice any Light or Dark?** Children can discuss with a partner and share with the class.



Refrain theme: There is a repeated refrain during the story for the children to join in with: **"The light shines and the darkness goes."**

Story parts:

Part 1: Creation and an angel appearing to Mary - 00:00 to 09:47 minutes.

Part 2: The shepherds and the angels - 09:55 to 15:30 minutes.

Part 3: The wise men - 15:38 to 22:57 minutes.