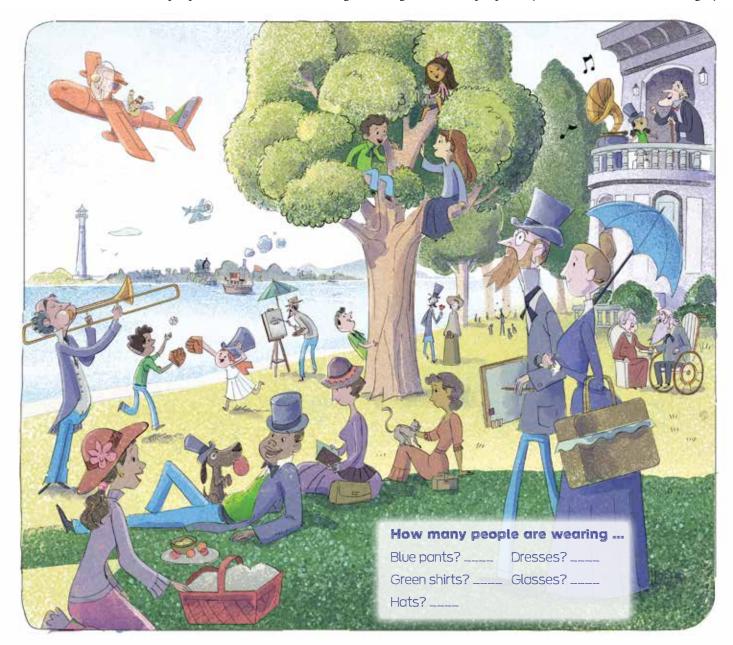
Take a Census

INSTRUCTIONS: Count the people that fit into each of the given categories. Some people may fit into more than one category.





KEY PASSAGE: Matthew 1:21

BIG PICTURE QUESTION: Why was Jesus born? Jesus was born to rescue us from sin.

BIBLE STORY: JESUS WAS BORN

- The rulers of Israel ordered people to travel to their hometown for a census.
- Mary and Joseph traveled to Bethlehem, the city of David.
- Mary gave birth to Jesus, and shepherds heard about Him from angels.
- Jesus was born to be God's promised Savior.

FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- What are some things about Jesus birth that were strange?
- Do you think many people expected the Messiah to be born like this?

FAMILY ACTIVITY:

• As you exchange gifts with your family, talk about the difference between the world's idea of Christmas (be good to earn good gifts) and God's idea of Christmas (sending Jesus to save us though we cannot earn His good favor).

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