

How to Make a Christingle Candle

What is Christingle?

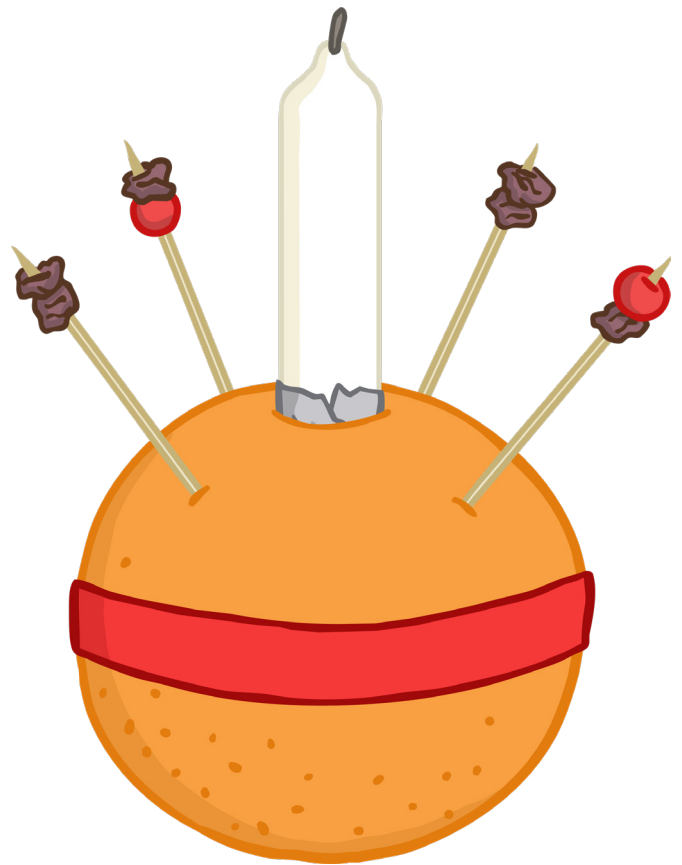
Christingle is a symbol of Christ's light and love for everyone.

Christingle services take place in churches before Christmas.

The orange is the world, the lighted candle is Jesus, the Light of the World, the red ribbon or tape is the blood of Christ and the cocktail sticks represent the four seasons and the fruits of the Earth as gifts from God.

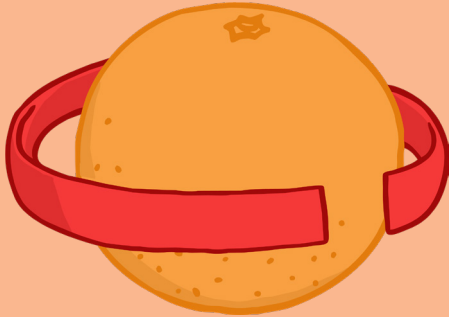
What you will need:

- 1 orange
- 1 birthday candle
- 1 small piece of foil measuring 6cm by 6cm to catch dripping wax
- enough red ribbon or red tape to go all the way around the middle of the orange
- 4 cocktail sticks (adults to cut the pointy bits off first)
- soft sweets or dried fruit (12 pieces per Christingle)

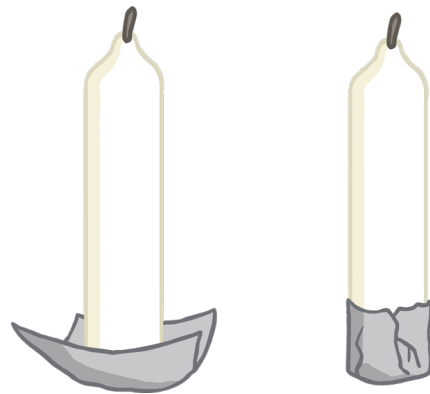


What to do:

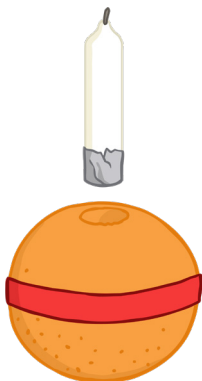
1. First, stick a piece of red tape or ribbon around the middle of your orange. You might need an extra pair of hands for this bit.



2. Next, wrap the foil around the bottom of the candle to make a sort of saucer to catch the wax.



3. Then ask an adult to make a hole in the top of the orange and wedge the candle (with foil) firmly inside the hole.



4. Put fruit or soft sweets onto 4 cocktail sticks.

WARNING - Please be careful, the cocktail sticks may still be sharp.



5. Push the 4 sticks into the orange, one in each quarter of the top half of the orange. Make sure the sticks point slightly upwards.

WARNING - Lighting candles is dangerous. Children should always be supervised by an adult.

