Christmas Story Quiz answers (Found in Matthew’s and Luke’s accounts)

1. Angel Gabriel
2. Nazareth
3. We do not know if they walked, or rode an animal. Tradition has it that a donkey was their mode of transport
4. Joseph
5. We do not know. It seems fairly soon afterwards as there seems to have been a need to find a room, and when they did, there wasn’t any time to find somewhere better than one with a manger
6. We do not know
7. We do not know – a manger is the place where Jesus is laid, so assumptions were made that this could be in a stable (which could have been anything from a cave, an outside structure or even an inside room where the animals were brought in at night)
8. The innkeeper is not mentioned in the story. All we are told is that ‘there was no room at the inn’
9. No mention of animals are made in the Nativity story, apart from sheep that are looked after by shepherds on the fields above Bethlehem
10. We do not know. All we know is that they brought three gifts, so tradition has it that there were three wise men.
11. It looks like the wise men may have arrived a while after – Mary, Joseph and baby Jesus are now in a house. Since Herod wanted to kill infants under the age of two, it is likely that the wise men arrived before Jesus was two years old.
12. We do not know how the wise men travelled. It is traditionally thought that they came from Persia, so may have travelled by camel