



Star of Wonder

To picture the Star in the dark of night, try using one of these methods.

1. Cut a star from silver or gold foil and glue to dark background.
2. Make a star from white paper, glue on dark background, and add glitter.
3. Using oil pastels or chalk on dark paper, make the bright star seen by the wise men and smaller stars as well.
4. Use wax crayons or oil pastel crayons to make this star on white paper. Be sure to cover the star with lots of crayoning! Then brush dark blue or black watercolor paint (or thin poster paint) over the star and background.

The Wise Men

There are several ways you could illustrate the wise men:

1. Make a collage of the wise men, using special papers. (Paper could be foil wrapping paper, wall paper samples, or other colorful paper.) Cut out pieces of paper for robes, heads, gifts, etc. and glue these onto black construction paper so that you have 3 wise men. Then cut out the wise men and mount on a complimentary background color of paper.
2. Older children may want to paint the wise men in a way that suggests a stained glass window. Make stylized figures using vivid colors and black outlines.

Note: The 2 wise men projects are from the Art Curriculum (1997) written by Beth Johns, Yorvar Synnestvedt, and Erica Rosenquist.