

Jesus teaches us to be...

Compassionate

This term we are looking at how Jesus teaches us to be compassionate.



Watch

 2 minutes

This is a story that Jesus told. It's all about a father and a son. The father shows compassion to his son. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dPt-XJM9daM>



Discuss - questions about the story

 5 minutes

Discuss as a class what the children think about the story.

- How do you think the father felt when his son told him he was going away?
- Why do you think the son wanted his share of his father's money early?
- How do you think the father showed compassion towards his son?
- How do you think the son felt at the end of the story?



Talk

 2 minutes

Turn to the person next to you and tell them about a time that someone showed compassion to you. Tell them how it made you feel.



Do

 5 minutes

Give each child a piece of A4 paper and a pair of scissors. Get them to fold the A4 piece of paper several times lengthways. They then need to draw a person on one side of the fold, making sure the hands and feet reach the edges of the paper. Then they need to cut out the person, making sure that the paper stays joined together by the hands and feet. They can then decorate the people. Each person should represent a person that the children want to show compassion towards. For example, they could decorate the person like their teacher or their friend.