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Story connection

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Match each figure to why they came

- Match each left item to its right meaning from the pastime.
- Younger path: draw lines. Older path: write one sentence for each pair.

A. Garga Muni

younger brother praised for attracting all

B. Nanda Mahārāja

elder brother whose name Garga explains

C. Mother Yaśodā

brings the boys for blessing

D. Balarāma

hosts the quiet ceremony

E. Kṛṣṇa

performs the secret naming

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Match continued

F. secret ceremony

protects the family from Kāṁsa's notice

Younger: Match names with pictures and number the cards. Older: Explain why the naming was kept private.

PARENT HELP: Keep Kāṁsa only as a reason for secrecy—no violent scenes.

Put the naming ceremony in order

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- The seven cards are shuffled on purpose.
- Number them in true story order.



Garga explains Kṛṣṇa's name and attractive qualities.

Number + draw one detail



The naming is kept quiet to avoid Kāṁsa's notice.

Number + draw one detail



The family treasures the secret names with gratitude.

Number + draw one detail



Nanda invites Garga Muni with respect and care.

Number + draw one detail



Garga explains Balarāma's name and qualities.

Number + draw one detail



Nanda and Yaśodā listen with joyful faith.

Number + draw one detail