

Easter

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Some people visit church on Easter Sunday to sing and hear the Easter Story.

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The story is about Jesus who was put on a cross on Good Friday. He then rose again on Easter Sunday.

Easter Bunny

People say that the Easter Bunny brings and hides eggs for children.

Easter Bonnet

Some people make and wear an Easter bonnet. A bonnet is another word for a hat.

Hot Cross Buns

Hot cross buns are baked and eaten at Easter time. The cross reminds people of Jesus.



Questions

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- January or June
- September

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- Good Friday
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The Easter story is about Jesus who was put on a cross on Good Friday. He returned to life again three days later on Easter Sunday.

Lots of people exchange chocolate eggs at Easter time. You can buy eggs in all shapes and sizes. Many people believe that the eggs represent new life.

Hot cross buns are a popular food choice at Easter time. The cross on the top of the buns reminds people of Jesus and the cross.



Some families will also eat a special dinner on Easter Sunday. The dinner is sometimes a roast dinner with roast lamb, potatoes and vegetables.

Easter Traditions

Some people make an Easter garden at this time of year.

This is a fun activity to do to help to retell the Easter Story.

An Easter garden is often made using a tray, soil, moss, sticks, stones and flowers.



The world record for the tallest chocolate egg is over 10 metres!

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Accept any of the following: celebrate the festival; sing songs; think about the story of Easter.

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Easter is a significant Christian festival which remembers Jesus being put onto a cross. Each year, this is remembered on a day known as Good Friday.

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Christians also believe Jesus returned to life a few days later on a Sunday. This is remembered on a day known as Easter Sunday.

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Easter Traditions

It is thought that Easter eggs symbolise new life just like Jesus' return to life.

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Many people give and receive chocolate eggs at Easter as well as painting hard boiled eggs and having egg rolling competitions.

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The first UK Easter egg was produced in 1873.



Christians attend church on Easter Sunday to celebrate Jesus returning to life. Christians believe Jesus was put on the cross so that others could be forgiven for the things they have done wrong.

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Hot cross buns are popular at Easter time. Usually, they are eaten at the end of Lent.

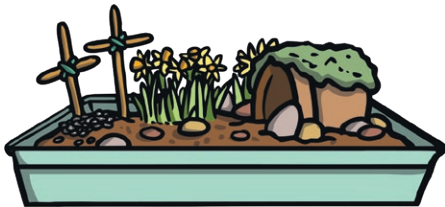
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The cross decoration on the top on the bun reminds Christians of the cross that Jesus was put on on Good Friday Good Friday.

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Some Christian people also make an Easter garden at this time of year.



The garden can then be used to help to retell the Easter story.

An Easter garden is often created in a tray filled with soil, moss and gravel.

Then, flowers, sticks and stones are added. Sometimes, a plant pot is used to act as Jesus' tomb.

Sticks can also be tied together into the shape of a cross to remind people of the cross that Jesus was put on.

Some families and friends will also eat a special dinner together on Easter Sunday. The dinner is sometimes a roast dinner with roast lamb, potatoes and vegetables.



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- 1863
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Accept any two of the following: Giving and receiving chocolate eggs/ painting hard boiled eggs/egg rolling competitions.

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Pupils' own responses, such as: Somebody might give an Easter egg to represent new life. Somebody might give an Easter egg to remember Jesus giving up his own life.