

The Springtime Celebration: An Easter Story

Learning objective: To understand the origins and traditions of the Easter story and demonstrate comprehension through creative writing and illustration.

Read the passage about the historical traditions of Easter carefully. Then, answer the questions in full sentences and complete the drawing activity at the bottom of the page.

Easter is a time of year when nature begins to wake up. For many people, it is a significant period of reflection and celebration. Historically, the story of Easter has been told for centuries to mark the arrival of spring and the idea of new beginnings. Families often share special meals and exchange gifts, such as decorated eggs. These eggs are traditional symbols of new life, representing the seeds that sprout and the flowers that bloom as the weather gets warmer. Whether it is enjoying a hot cross bun or gathering with friends to share stories, Easter remains a time for kindness, hope, and appreciating the changing seasons.

Word bank: tradition · renewal · springtime · symbolise · celebration · reflection · bountiful

1. Why are eggs often used as a symbol during the Easter season? (2 marks)

2. Based on the text, how does the arrival of spring affect the world around us? (2 marks)

3. If you were organising an Easter celebration for your friends, what one tradition would you include and why? (2 marks)

4. Max the monkey wants to buy 3 packets of decorative eggs for £2.50 each. How much will he spend in total? (2 marks)

5. Find and copy one word from the text that describes the feeling of looking back or thinking deeply. (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a scene showing a garden in springtime. Include a nest with decorated eggs, blossoming flowers, and a clear blue sky. Think about how Zara the zebra would use patterns to decorate the eggs!



Extension challenge: Write a short poem about the arrival of spring. Try to include at least three words from our word bank and use rhyming couplets like our friend Leo the lion does.