

All about Easter



Read about Easter and fill in the right titles. There are more titles than you need.

The Easter weekend – How to make pancakes – Egg rolling – It's springtime! – Pancake Day and Lent – All about Easter bunnies

In Great Britain people celebrate Pancake Day on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent – the six weeks of fasting before Easter.

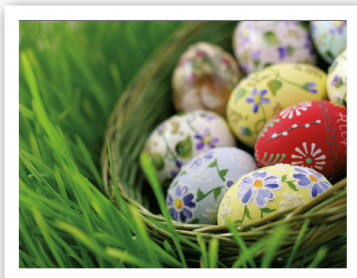
On Pancake Day, people traditionally make pancakes and enjoy the sweet food. There are crazy pancake races at most schools.

For the race, children wear an apron and carry a frying pan with a pancake. They run and flip the pancakes. But it's not easy to catch the flying pancake again!

During Lent, Christians remember the time when Jesus fasted to prepare for his work for God. Today, many people decide to give up something they normally enjoy very much, for example, they don't eat sweets or play computer games or watch TV.



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Easter is an important festival in the Christian religion. Christians remember the resurrection of Jesus. After Jesus was crucified on the cross on Good Friday, he was buried in a cave tomb. On Easter Sunday, the tomb was empty. Jesus rose from the dead and so Christians believe in eternal life.

Easter eggs and Easter bunnies are symbols of life. It is a legend that the Easter bunny brings eggs and hides them. Children traditionally go Easter egg hunting. They look for colourful Easter eggs, chocolate and chocolate Easter bunnies in pretty baskets. Easter is in spring and people send colourful cards to wish friends and family a happy Easter.

Many children in Great Britain and in the USA play egg rolling on Easter Monday. They take part in races and roll colourful eggs with a long spoon or stick on the grass. You can roll eggs down a hill, too.

In the USA, children take part in egg rolling races at the White House every year – and even the President is there. You can try egg rolling, too. Have fun!



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Tick (✓) right or wrong.

1. People celebrate Pancake Day on Wednesday.
2. Lent is after Easter.
3. Lent is a time of giving up something you like very much.
4. Jesus was crucified. That means he died on the cross.
5. Easter eggs are a symbol of life.
6. You have to roll an egg to make a pancake.

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Run, rabbit, run!



















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Play this game in groups of four. Throw the dice to find out which player gets which racing track. Put your counters on start. The youngest player goes first. Move your counter on the racing track and follow the instructions on the fields. When you get on a vocab quiz, your neighbour has to draw a card and read it out to you. If your answer is wrong, you miss a turn. If your answer is right, you can go again the next time it is your turn. The fastest "rabbit" wins the race!



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