

Explore Club at Home

ExploreEaster



Overview: On Easter Sunday Christians remember the astonishing events that took place when the women visited the tomb of Jesus who had been buried after dying on the cross. There was an earthquake, the ground shook, the guards fainted, and Angel appeared and the stone was moved from the front of the tomb!! When they looked the grave was empty and the angel told the women that Jesus was alive. After that point, many people met Jesus alive, including Mary Magdalene, Peter, Thomas, the disciples, Cleopas and his wife and many many more!



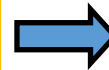
Find out more:

In the Bible in the book of Luke, Chapter 24 and the book of John, Chapter 20 (if you don't have bible at home you can read it at www.biblegateway.com)

Also you can watch it at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fa5VhwkSx_o

(A 6 minute clip from the Miracle Maker movie)



Great News:

Jesus coming back to life was great news for his friends and Christians believe great news for all people.

What would be great news for you at the moment?



Questions:

- Can you list how many surprising things happen in this story?
- What do you find the most exciting?
- How would you react if you were there when it happened?
- **Who would you really like to see right now ?**

Activity 1—Play a game

You will need: A blindfold (scarf) .

Mary recognised Jesus when he called her name. Play a game together – take it in turns to wear a blindfold.

Members of your family should say your name but should try to disguise their voice, can you still recognise who they are?



If you are feeling brave why not see if the person in the blindfold can be guided round the house just by following a voice calling their name.

Easter Word Search



e	g	g	b	u	n	n	y	s
a	j	e	s	u	s	c	d	u
s	p	r	i	n	g	r	e	n
t	o	m	b	t	h	o	a	d
e	l	i	f	e	m	s	t	a
r	c	a	r	d	s	s	h	y
p	f	b	h	m	j	o	y	l
a	b	u	n	s	b	m	h	e
l	c	a	n	d	l	e	t	n
m	s	a	d	n	e	s	s	t

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|--------|---------|--------|
| egg | bunny | easter |
| sunday | jesus | death |
| lent | spring | cross |
| palm | cards | candle |
| tomb | joy | life |
| buns | sadness | |



Activity 3 Craft ideas:



Show parts of the Easter story on a cross shape.

Draw and cut out a tomb shape, draw Jesus then cut out a circle to be the stone and glue it on like a door.

Perhaps send photos of what you made to your friends.



Activity 2—Act out

Act out the Easter Sunday story as a family.

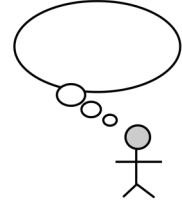
Get some props and use items at home as part of a simple costume.



Perhaps make a den to represent the tomb where

Jesus was buried.

Try to imagine what each person/character in the story would be thinking inside their mind.



What about the eggs?

Did you know that the first 'Easter eggs' were eggs from ducks or hens painted or dyed in bright colours?

Here are some ways that Easter Eggs point back to Jesus...



- Traditional Easter Eggs are hollow, the empty space inside reminds us of the empty tomb after Jesus had risen from the dead.
- You searched for hidden Easter Eggs around your house and garden – this can also make us think how Mary and Jesus' other friends searched for him and were surprised to find the tomb empty.
- Eggs are a symbol of new life, they remind us of the new life that Christians believe is available to all people through Jesus.



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