

ANCHORS

CHOCOLATE EASTER NESTS



GET CREATIVE



30 MINUTES



PREPARATION
NEEDED



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Create some tasty Easter themed treats for your family to share.

In a small bowl, melt the chocolate. This can be done in a microwave or over a pan of simmering water. A grown-up should do this bit.

Crush the shredded wheat (or other cereal like Rice Krispies or Cornflakes) into a bowl and then pour the melted chocolate over the top.

Mix together and then spoon into the cupcake cases. In the centre of the nest, use a spoon to create an indent. This will become the centre of the nest and where you should place two or three mini eggs.

Chill the nests in the fridge until set. Once set you can eat and enjoy them with your family!



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- 200g Milk Chocolate
- 85g Shredded Wheat (or other cereal)
- Mini Eggs
- Bowl & Spoon
- Cupcake Cases

All Activity should be supervised by an adult. An adult should melt the chocolate. Please ensure hands are washed before and after the activity.

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Paper plate Easter Bunny Wreath

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Materials Required:

Paper plate
 Rabbit template
 Patterned scrapbook paper
 Coloured card
 White wool
 Ribbon
 Pink pom pom
 Googly eyes
 Scissors
 Glue Stick
 Markers or crayons

Instructions

NB An adult should supervise the cutting in this activity or cut it for the child.

Cut out the rabbit from template and the eggs from the patterned scrapbook paper and coloured card.

Colour the inside ears section on the ears of the rabbit with markers or crayons.

Cut white wool into three pieces at equal lengths. Glue them to the centre of your bunny face with glue. Then glue the pink pom pom in the centre of the whiskers. Add googly eyes to your bunny.

Cut the centre out of a paper plate to make a wreath form.

Glue the colourful Easter eggs around the perimeter of the paper plate wreath, overlapping each of the eggs slightly with one another (see picture).

Add glue on the bottom of your paper bunny and glue it at the top of the paper plate wreath behind the eggs. Glue your bunny paws on the front of the wreath.

Tie the ribbon into a bow and attach it at the top of the wreath.



Lollipop Stick Cross



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Materials required:

Lollipop sticks (one jumbo, one regular)

Buttons

Glue

Instructions:

Glue the regular sized lollipop stick to the jumbo lollipop stick in the shape of the cross.

Glue the buttons all over the lollipop stick cross to decorate.

Let dry.

Lollipop Stick Chick



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Materials required:

5 yellow lollipop sticks
Orange and yellow card
Black card
Googly eyes

Instructions:

Lay out 5 yellow lollipop sticks side by side, cut a piece of black card slightly smaller than the 5 lollipop sticks.

Glue 5 yellow lollipop sticks onto the piece of black card.

Cut out some feet, beaks, comb and wings from the yellow and orange card.

Glue the feet to the back of the lollipop sticks on the bottom.

Glue a wing to the back of the lollipop sticks on each side.

Glue the comb to the back of the lollipop sticks at the top.

Glue the beak and googly eyes on front to make a face.

Thank you Cards



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Aim:

We should let people know that they are remembered at Easter and making a difference to our lives and thank them for it.

Please use the two blank cards and envelopes in your pack to start thanking people.

Ideas as to who we might thank.

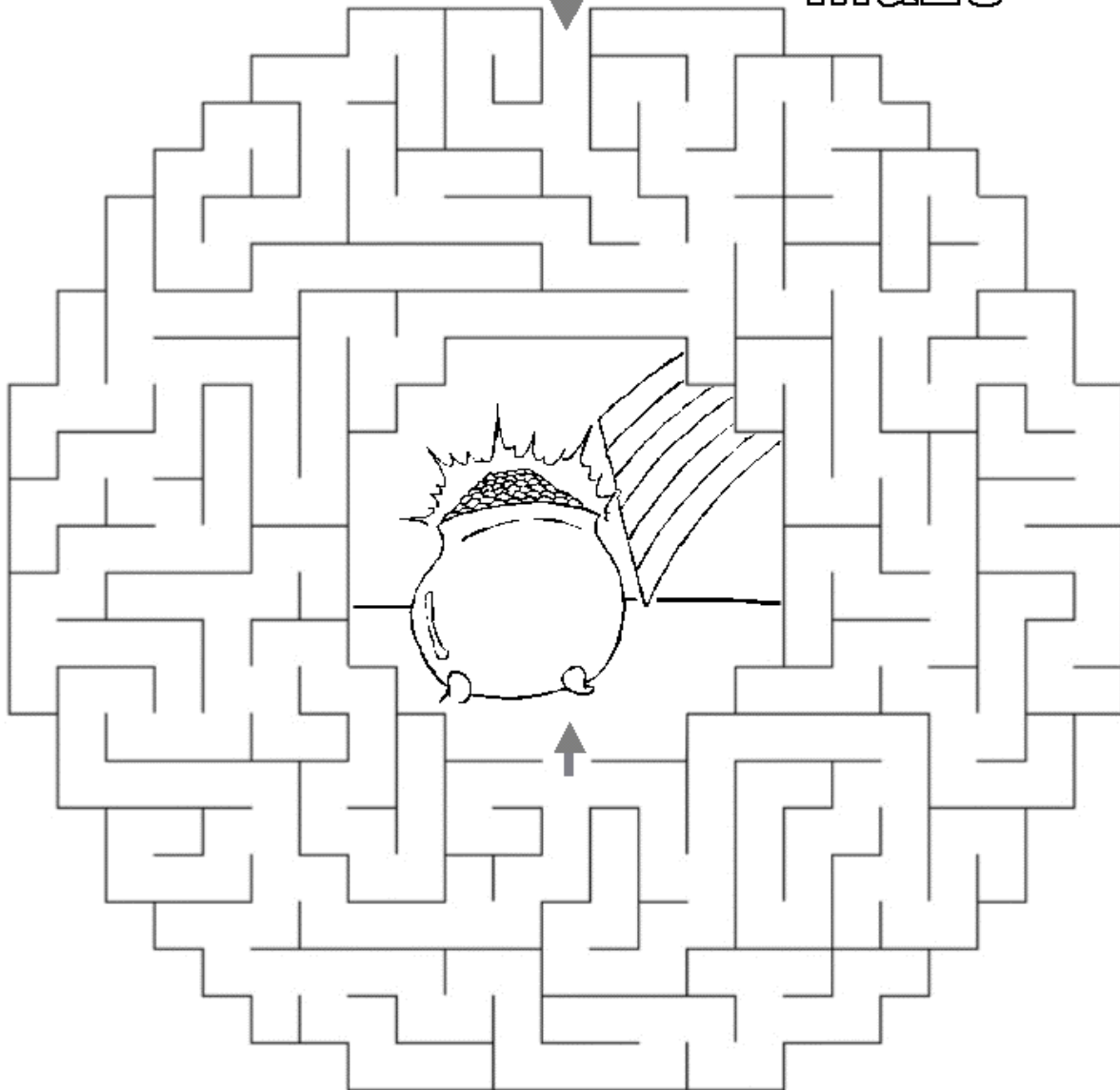
People Close to you	People you would normally see	Locally
Parents/Guardians	Assistant Teacher	Lollipop Traffic Wardens
Brothers and or Sisters	School Bus Driver	Milk Delivery Person
Aunts and Uncles	Sports coaches / trainers	Cleaners
Cousins	Sunday School / Sunday Club Leaders	Newspaper Delivery Person
Grandparent(s)	Youth Workers	An Post Delivery Person
Godparent(s)	Helpers	Local Shop people
Good Friends	Gardai or Garda Station	Ambulance Crew
Teachers	Harvest Contractor	Local Hospital
Doctors	Farm Hand	Petrol Station
Nurses	Parish Caretaker	Fire brigade
Vet	Creamery Driver	Refuse Collectors
Clergy	Car Mechanics	Caterers in hospitals / nursing homes
BB Leaders	Fuel Delivery Persons	Local Nursing Home

The ideas above are far from complete. Add in anyone you feel deserves a ‘virtual Easter hug’ or a thank you for what they do for us all.

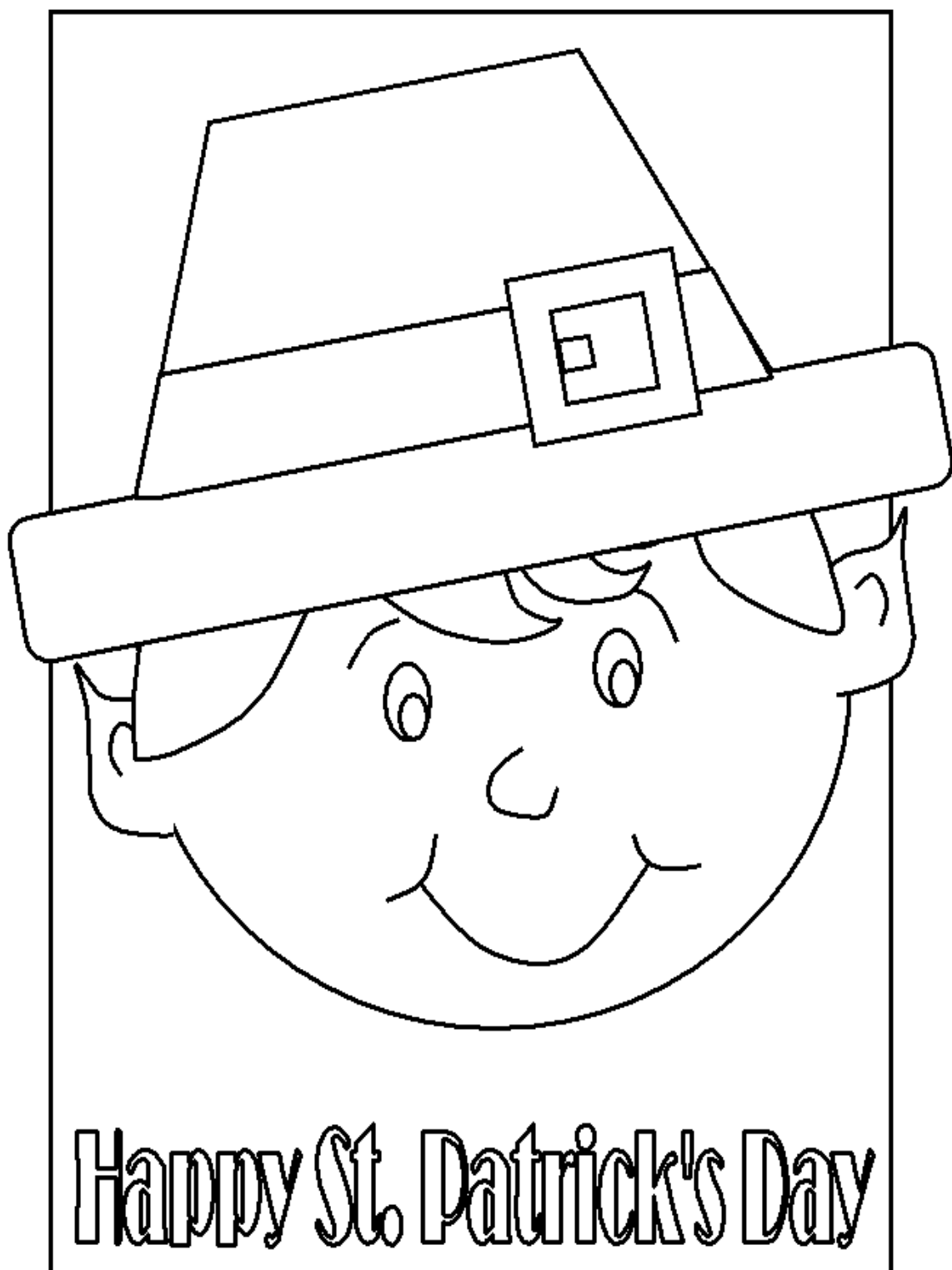
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find his
pot of
gold...



St. Patrick's Day Maze



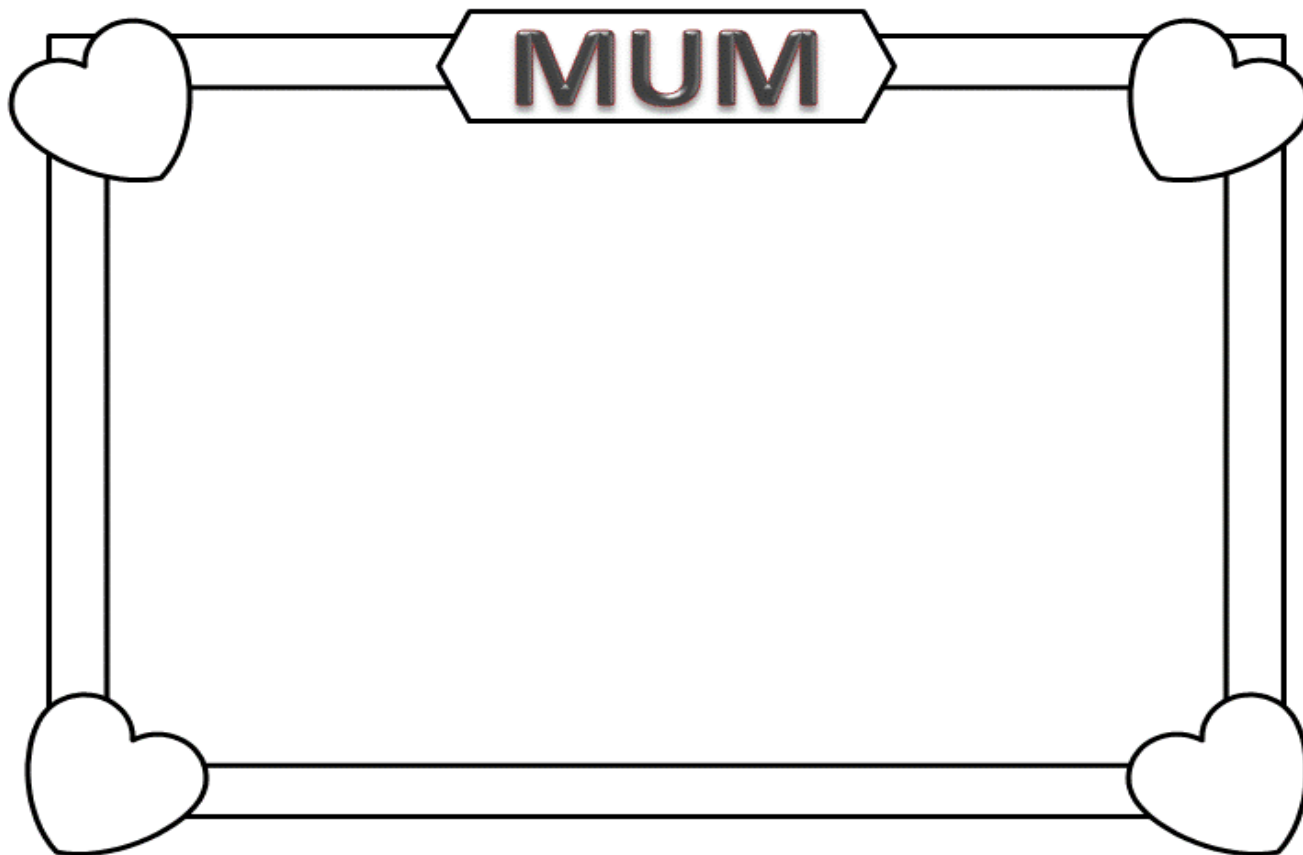
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Mother's Day Activity- All about mum



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My mum's name is _____

I love my mum because _____

My mum and I like to _____

My mum's favorite thing to do is _____

My mum is special because _____

Draw a picture of your mum in the box provided.

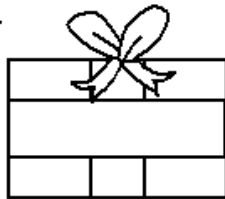
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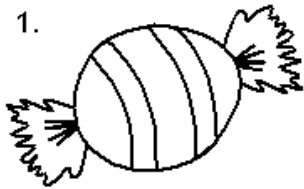


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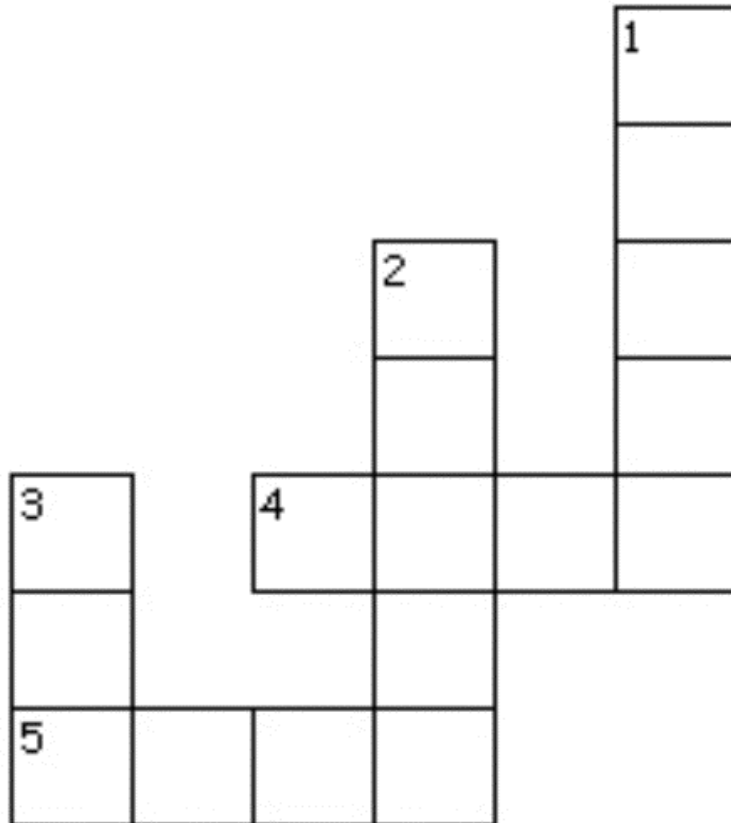
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Easter Word Search

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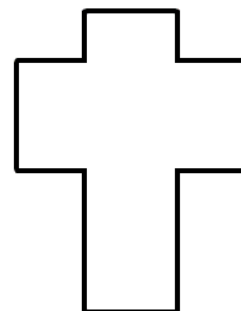
V Y T P M E U O

O S U W A S H N

L B B J J W E Q



**CROSS
EMPTY
LOVE
SON
WASH**



(Answers available on BB website www.boysbrigade.ie on 6th April 2021)

Unscramble the letters to find the words in our

Easter Anagram

Word List:

alive, crucify, donkey, forgiven,
Gethsemane, hosanna, risen, rooster,
sacrifice, thorns



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deknoy _____

einrs _____

aeilv _____

accefiirs _____

eoorrst _____

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hnorst _____

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(Answers available on BB website www.boysbrigade.ie on 21st December 2020)

Easter Jigsaw Puzzle



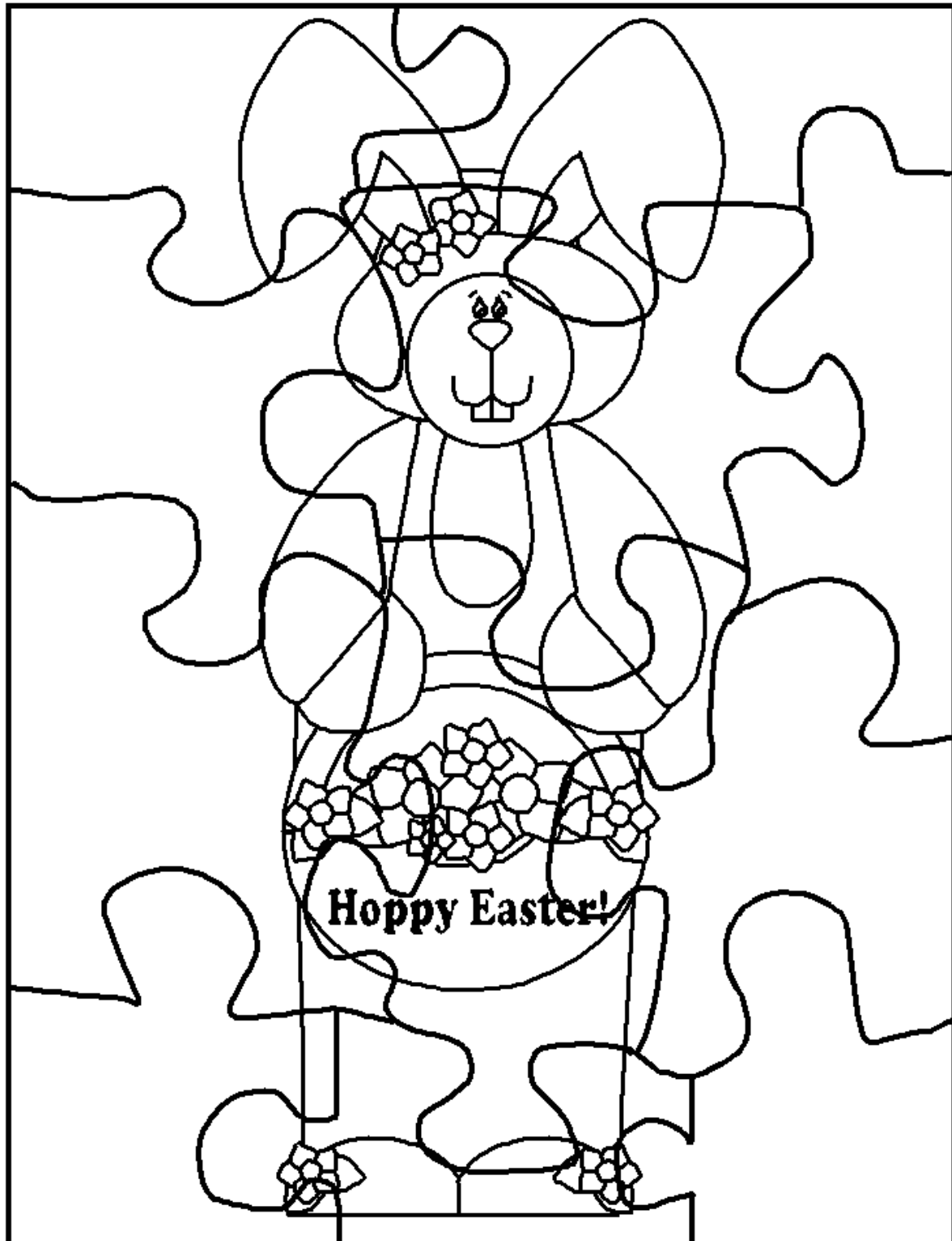
What you will need:

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- Jigsaw puzzle template below
- Colouring pencils/markers/crayon
- Scissors
- Thin cardboard (cereal box)
- Glue

Instructions:

1. Cut around the outside of the puzzle overleaf. *(this should be done by an adult or under adult supervision.)*
2. Cut out a piece of cardboard the size of the puzzle. *(this should be done by an adult or under adult supervision)*
3. Glue the paper onto the cardboard
4. Colour in the puzzle
5. Cut out the puzzle along the template lines *(this should be done by an adult or under adult supervision)*



Indoor Activity 1:

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SPIDER'S WEB

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GET ACTIVE

20 MINUTES

PREPARATION NEEDED



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Spider's webs are great for catching flies. Create your own web and see how many 'flies' you can catch with this throwing game.

A grown-up will need to help you set up your spider's web by sticking tape across a doorway. You'll need to tape it at different angles, to create a spider's web pattern. Masking tape works best, but sellotape would work too. Tear up pieces of paper and scrunch them into small balls to throw. You should be able to make 4-6 balls from a single piece of paper. Set up a throwing line.

Catch the Flies: Throw your scrunched-up paper at the spider's web and see how many balls you can make stick to the web. How many 'flies' can you catch in 10 throws?

Dodge the Web: Now make the challenge not to get caught in the web. Award a point for every time you can get a scrunched-up ball through the web. You could make the smaller gaps in the web worth more points.



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Masking Tape
- Scrunched-up Paper

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Indoor Activity 2:

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EASTER BUNNY DRIVE





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GET ACTIVE



15 MINUTES



READY TO GO



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

An Easter twist on the classic game of 'Beetle Drive'.

Play this game with others in your house. Each player will need a pen and paper and then a dice between you. Use the 'Bunny Drive' sheet at the bottom of this pack to help play the game.

How to Play: Take turns to roll a dice and add the body part to your bunny. You must throw a 6 first (head) in order to start drawing.

Carry on rolling the dice in turns, adding the body parts to your bunny. You can only add one body part on at a time. So, if you get a four, add on only one eye and you must roll another four later on, in order to add the second eye. This is the same with the ears and whiskers.

Once someone has drawn a complete bunny - 1 head, 2 ears, 2 eyes, 1 nose, 6 whiskers, 1 bow - they then shout BUNNY and the game finishes. Play a few rounds and then award a prize to the overall winner.



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Paper
- Pens
- Dice
- Bunny Drive Sheet (optional)

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Indoor Activity 3:

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'FIND ME A...' GAME





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GET ACTIVE



15 MINUTES



READY TO GO



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Do you know where everything in your house is? Do you think you could find it in just 30 seconds? Let's find out!

For this game, a grown-up will need to think of different items in the house. Some easy and others hard. The grown-up will call them out one at a time for you to find as quickly as you can. We suggest 30 seconds, but you can change that. You'll score a point every time you bring back an item in the time limit. How many points can you score after 10 items?

Easy items might be a spoon, cushion, remote control, teddy etc. Harder to find items might be something older than 10 years, a particular book or DVD, a corner piece from a jigsaw, a red sock etc.

If you have a family member who would like to play, then instead of racing the clock, race them. Whoever brings the item back first gets the point. Who can get the most points?



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Household Objects

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Outdoor Activity 1:

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DON'T DROP THE BALL





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GET ACTIVE



10 MINUTES



READY TO GO



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Throwing and catching a ball might seem easy - but can you do it under pressure? How many throws & catches can you complete in 60 seconds?

Stand opposite a family member, leaving a gap of roughly 1.5 metres. How many times can you throw and catch the ball between you without dropping it? Set a timer for one minute and record your best score.

This activity can be tried multiple times to see if you can get a better score. Count a point for every time the ball is caught.



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Tennis Ball (or similar)
- A Family Member

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Outdoor Activity 2:

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FEED THE SHARKS





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GET ACTIVE



20 MINUTES



IN THE CUPBOARD



GETTING INTO THE ACTIVITY

Use your imagination to bring shark infested waters to life. Can you feed the sharks without being eaten yourself?

Set up 5 or 6 stepping stones (books, cushions etc) a small distance apart. A couple of metres past the last stepping stone place a bucket - this will represent the shark's mouth.

Start the game by placing a bean bag or similar (sock balls, sponge) on your head. This is the shark bait which needs to get into the shark's mouth (bucket). Carefully jump between stepping stones, whilst balancing the bean bag on your head. Be careful not to fall off a stepping stone or drop the shark bait, otherwise you'll get eaten by the sharks and need to start the course again. Throw the bean bag into the shark's mouth to feed it and head back to the start.

How many bean bags can you successfully get through the course and into the shark's mouth without falling into the shark infested waters? Score a point for every bean bag in the shark's mouth.



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- Stepping Stones
- Bucket
- Bean Bags or Similar

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Memory Game

Also known as “Pairs” or “Double turn-up”

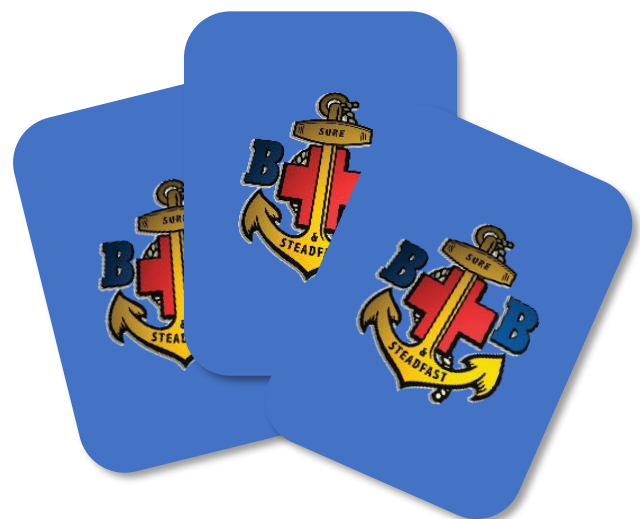
Page | 19 Instructions:

- There are 20 Pairs of cards in this Pack. You can use as many or as few Pairs as you like.
- You can have up to 4 Players (*especially if you are using all the cards*).
- 1. You could maybe start with 5 Pairs of cards, and then use more Pairs as your memory skills improve. Just make sure you always have Pairs!
- 2. Having selected the number of Pairs you are going to use, “shuffle” them to mix them up.
- 3. Players should work out among themselves who should go first (*this may be a disadvantage unless you are lucky to get a matching pair in your first go!*)
- 4. Place all the cards **FACE DOWN** on the floor or table, either in rows or randomly placed.
- 5. Players take turns to turn over a card and then try and turn over the “Matching” Card. If they match, the player keeps those cards. If they don't match, the Cards are turned face down again, and the next player has a go (*Everybody of course is trying to remember what card was turned up where before!*)
- 6. When all the cards are paired, the Winner is the person with the most Pairs.
- 7. Reshuffle cards well to play again.

Optional Rule:

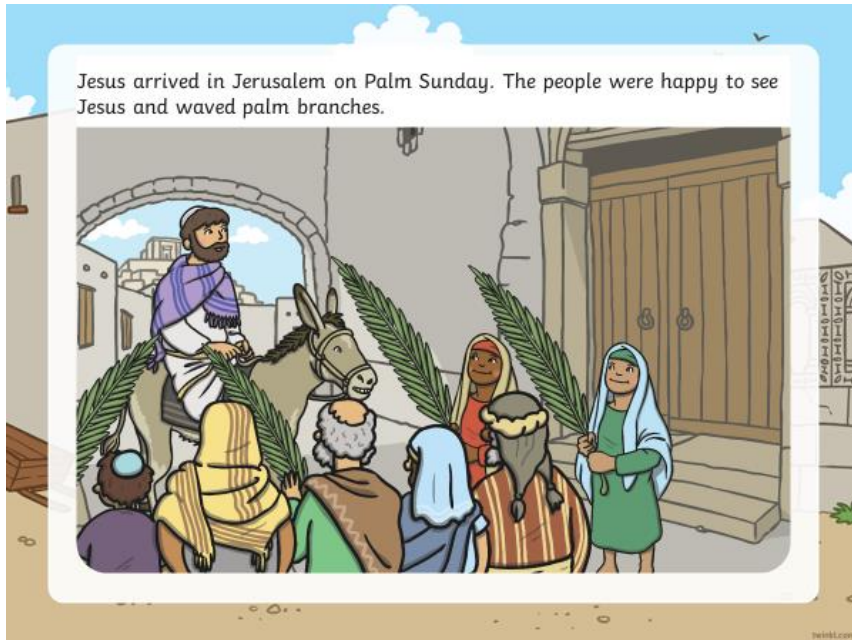
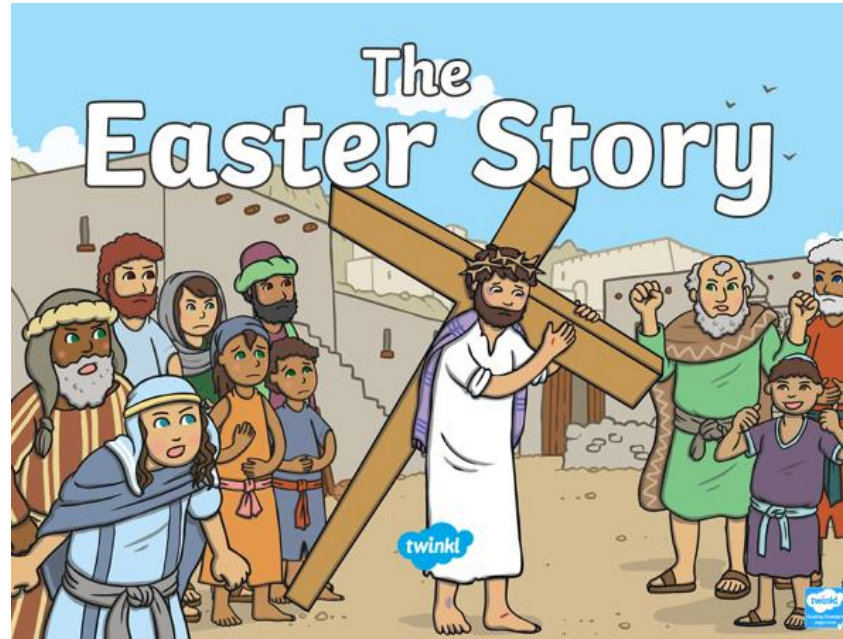
Sometimes the game is played with a Rule that, if you get a matching Pair, you get another go. Whether or not to use that Rule will be up to the Players to decide, as a Group, before the game starts.

NB: You can also use the cards to play “SNAP”



Easter Bible Story

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Judas was one of Jesus' special friends. The important people gave Judas money to tell them where Jesus was so they could arrest him.



Jesus had a special dinner called a Passover meal with his friends. This meal is now known as the Last Supper.



Jesus gave his friends bread and wine. He then told them that one of them had turned against him.



Jesus said that Peter would pretend he didn't know Jesus before the morning arrived and the cock crowed.



Then Jesus went to pray in the garden of Gethsemane.



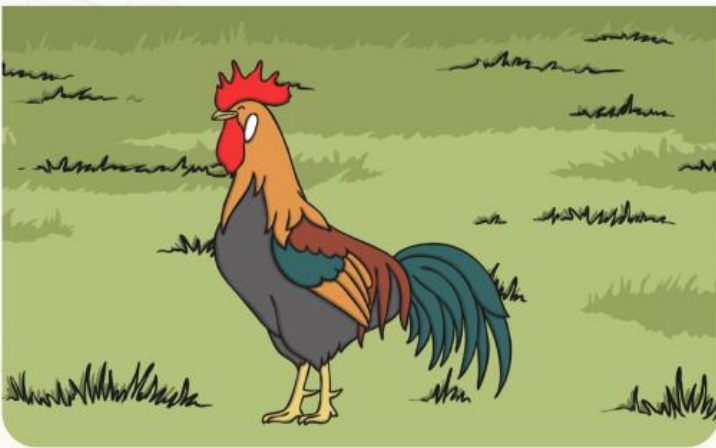
Judas told the important people where Jesus was. Jesus was arrested.



Peter followed Jesus and waited outside where he was being held. Someone asked if he was Jesus' friend. Peter said he didn't know Jesus.



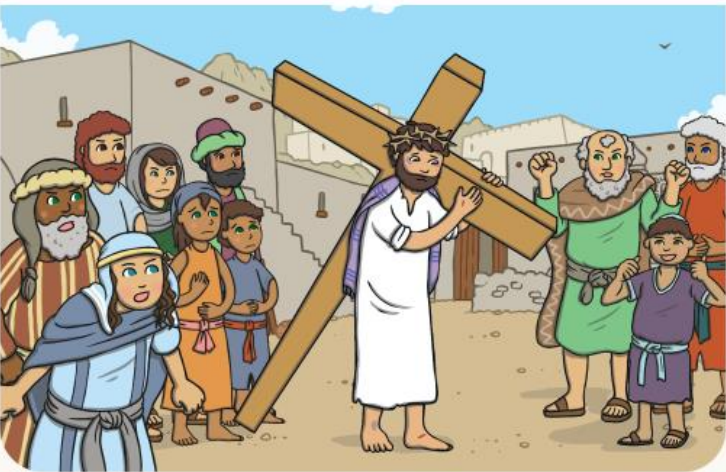
Then the cock crowed. Peter remembered what Jesus had said and felt very sad.



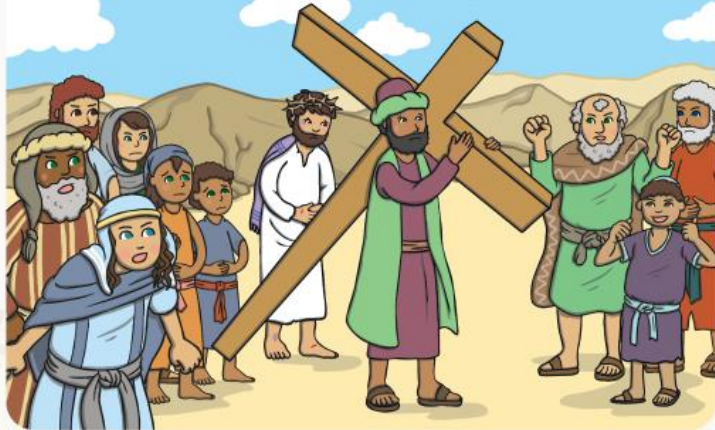
Pontius Pilate set Barabbas free instead of Jesus. The crowd wanted Jesus punished.



Jesus had to carry a heavy cross through the streets of Jerusalem.



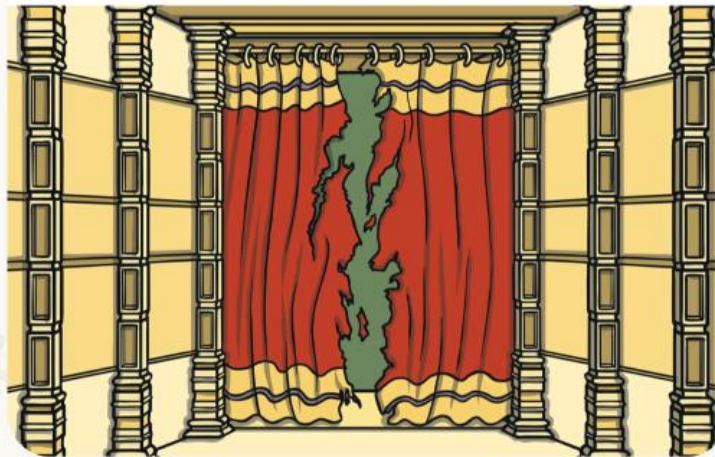
Simon carried Jesus' cross to the hill.



Jesus died on the cross. His friends and family were very sad.

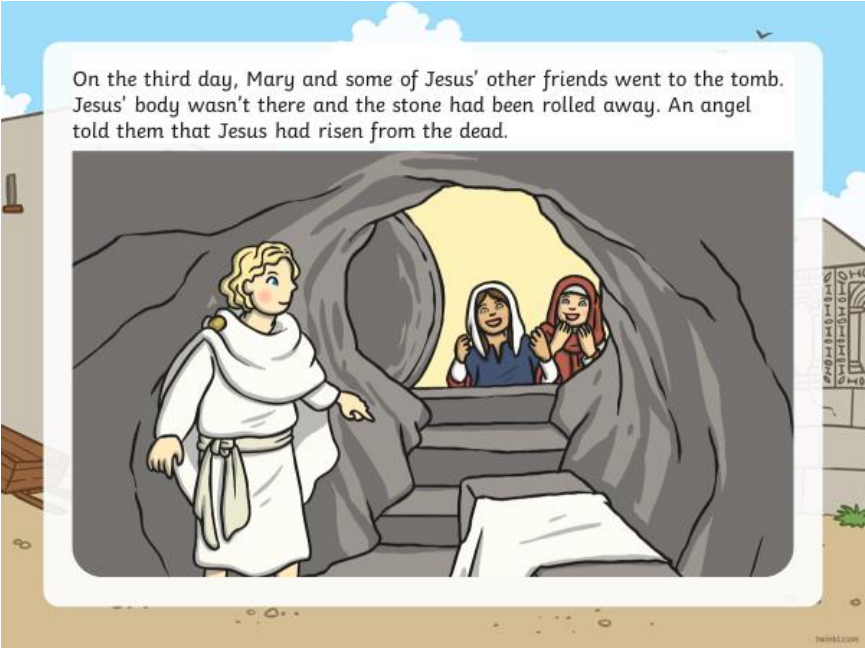


When Jesus died, the earth shook. The curtain in a special place called the Temple was torn in two.



Jesus' body was put into a tomb. A large, heavy stone was put in front of the entrance.





Mother's Day in Lockdown



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Write special messages on her driveway.

Even though you can't go outside to celebrate, there's nothing holding you back from showering your mum or your grandmother with love (from a distance, of course). Using outdoor chalk, draw rainbows, flowers, and write heartfelt messages to mom, grandmother, or another woman worth celebrating (eg: sister or aunt).

Serve her breakfast in bed.

Start your mum's day on the right note by showing up at her door with a tray full of pancakes, eggs, a full Irish breakfast or any other brunch favourites.

Check places off your bucket list (virtually).

Even if you can't hop on a plane and sightsee, you and your mum can still bask in the world's beauty with virtual tours of museums, zoos and theme parks.

Museums

- **The Louvre:** You don't have to book a ticket to Paris to check out some of the famous pieces in the world's largest art museum. The Louvre has free online tours of three famous exhibits, including Egyptian Antiquities. <https://www.louvre.fr/en/visites-en-ligne#tabs>
- **Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History:** Move at your own pace through the 360-degree room-by-room tour of every exhibit in the museum. <https://naturalhistory2.si.edu/vt3/NMNH/>
- **Van Gogh Museum:** You can get up close and personal with the impressionist painter's most famous work. <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/van-gogh-museum?hl=en>
- **Getty Museum:** You can tour the two floors of Los Angeles's premiere gallery. <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/the-j-paul-getty-museum?hl=en>
- **The Vatican Museum:** The Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, and Raphael's Room, are just some of the sites you can see on the Vatican's virtual tour. <http://www.museivaticani.va/content/museivaticani/en/collezioni/musei/tour-virtuali-elenco.html>
- **Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum:** Madrid's must-see art museum has the works of some of the continent's most celebrated artists like Rembrandt and Dali. <https://www.museothyssen.org/en/thyssenmultimedia>
- **National Museum of Anthropology, Mexico City:** Dive into the pre-Hispanic history of Mexico with 23 exhibit rooms full of Mayan artifacts. <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/museo-nacional-de-antropologia-mexico>
- **British Museum, London:** The Rosetta Stone and Egyptian mummies are just a couple of things that you're able to see on a virtual tour of the museum. <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/the-british-museum>
- **NASA:** Both Virginia's Langley Research Center <https://oh.larc.nasa.gov/oh/> and Ohio's Glenn Research Center <https://www.nasa.gov/glennvirtualtours> offer online tours for free. Also, you can try some "augmented reality experiences" via The Space Center Houston's app. <https://spacecenter.org/app/>
- **Metropolitan Museum of Art:** You can explore the numerous exhibitions in the museum. <https://artsandculture.google.com/partner/the-metropolitan-museum-of-art?hl=en>
- **Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam:** The Golden Age of Dutch art is highlighted in this museum

which includes the work of Vermeer and Rembrandt.

<https://artsandculture.google.com/search/streetview?p=rijksmuseum&hl=en>

- **National Museum of the United States Air Force:** You can't take a ride in Franklin D. Roosevelt's presidential airplane, but you can check it out, in addition to other military weapons and aircraft, online in the Air Force's official museum.
<https://www.nationalmuseum.af.mil/Visit/Virtual-Tour/>
- **The Irish Emigration Museum:** Discover why 10 Million people left Ireland and travelled across the world by virtually navigating the museum using their coloured pins.
<https://dublin.epicchg.com/virtual-tour-epic-the-irish-emigration-museum>
- **National Archaeological Museum of Ireland:** Take an interactive look at the Treasury and browse through the three galleries consisting of art from the Iron age to the 12th Century, medieval Book of Psalms and early medieval crafts. <https://www.museum.ie/en-IE/Museums/Archaeology/Visitor-Information/3D-Virtual-Visit>
- **Natural History Museum:** Virtually take a 3-D tour of the four floors. Each floor has a separate showcase that you can move around, which include: Irish fauna, mammals around the world, fish, birds and reptiles and the fourth floor contains insects, shells, crustaceans, corals and blaschka models. <https://www.museum.ie/en-IE/Museums/Natural-History/Visitor-Information/3D-Virtual-Visit>

Zoos and Aquariums

- **The Cincinnati Zoo:** Check in on the animals at the Zoo on <https://www.facebook.com/cincinnati-zoo/>
- **Dublin Zoo:** Catch a glimpse of the giraffes, zebras and rhinos on the African Savanna, get a birds-eye view of the penguins or watch the wonderful herd of Asian elephants bathe and chomp on their lunch with the zoo's live cams. <https://www.dublinozoo.ie/animals/animal-webcams/>
- **Atlanta Zoo:** The Georgia zoo keeps a "Panda Cam" livestream <https://zoatlanta.org/panda-cam/>
- **Georgia Aquarium:** Sea-dwellers like African penguins and Beluga Whales are the stars of this aquarium's live cam. <https://www.georgiaaquarium.org/webcam/beluga-whale-webcam/>
- **Houston Zoo:** There are plenty of different animals you can check in on with this zoo's live cam, but we highly recommend watching the playful elephants. <https://www.houstonzoo.org/explore/webcams/>
- **San Diego Zoo:** With what may be the most live cam options, this zoo lets you switch between koalas, polar bears, and tigers in one sitting. <https://kids.sandiegozoo.org/videos>
- **Monterey Bay Aquarium:** It can be Shark Week every week thanks to live online footage of Monterey Bay's Habitat exhibit. <https://www.montereybayaquarium.org/animals/live-cams>
- **National Aquarium Baltimore:** Walk through tropical waters to the icy tundra in this floor-by-floor tour of the famous, Baltimore-based aquarium. <https://aqua.org/media/virtualtours/baltimore/index.html>

Theme Parks

- **Walt Disney World:** Set aside some time, because there's plenty to see here. Virtual tours you can take include Magic Kingdom, Animal Kingdom, and Epcot, just to name a few. <https://disneyparks.disney.go.com/blog/2018/03/disney-parks-launches-first-ever-360-degree-panoramas-on-google-street-view/>
- **LEGOLAND Florida Resort:** The Great Lego Race and Miniland USA are just two of the attractions you can check out in a virtual tour of the park. <https://www.visitorlando.com/things-to-do/virtual-tours/legoland-florida-resort/>

Assemble a build-your-own-bagel spread.

Some moms prefer waking up to a fully cooked breakfast. Others like the versatility that comes with grab-and-go breakfasts and family-style spreads. Think of her favourite breakfast food — bagels, pancakes, waffles, you name it — and assemble a party spread with all the fixings.

Picnic in your backyard.

Make dining at home more exciting by bringing the party outdoors. Set up a blanket and cover it with plates full of picnic-ready snacks, or even take-out from your mum's favourite local restaurant.