

A Special Time of Spring

Learning objective: To retrieve information from a text and make simple inferences about the Easter story.

Read the story below carefully. Use the word bank to help you understand the tricky words. Answer the questions in the spaces provided. If you get stuck, look back at the text to find the answers.

In the UK, many people celebrate Easter in the spring. It is a time when the days get longer and flowers begin to bloom in the garden. For many, Easter is a special tradition that marks a story of hope and new beginnings. In this story, people remember a time of sadness that turned into great joy.

Families often share a meal together to mark the end of the long winter. Many people give each other eggs made of chocolate. These eggs are a symbol of new life, just like the tiny buds on the trees outside. Some people also decorate hard-boiled eggs with bright colors and patterns. It is a time for kindness, sharing, and feeling thankful for the sunshine. Whether people go to a church or stay at home with their family, it is a time to feel happy. The story of Easter reminds everyone that even after a cold, grey winter, the sun will always come out again to warm the earth. It is a time for friends to gather and enjoy the fresh air and the beautiful colors of spring.

Word bank: Tradition: something people do every year · Celebration: a happy event · Symbol: an object that stands for a special meaning · Spring: the season when plants start to grow

1. What season does Easter happen in? (1 mark)

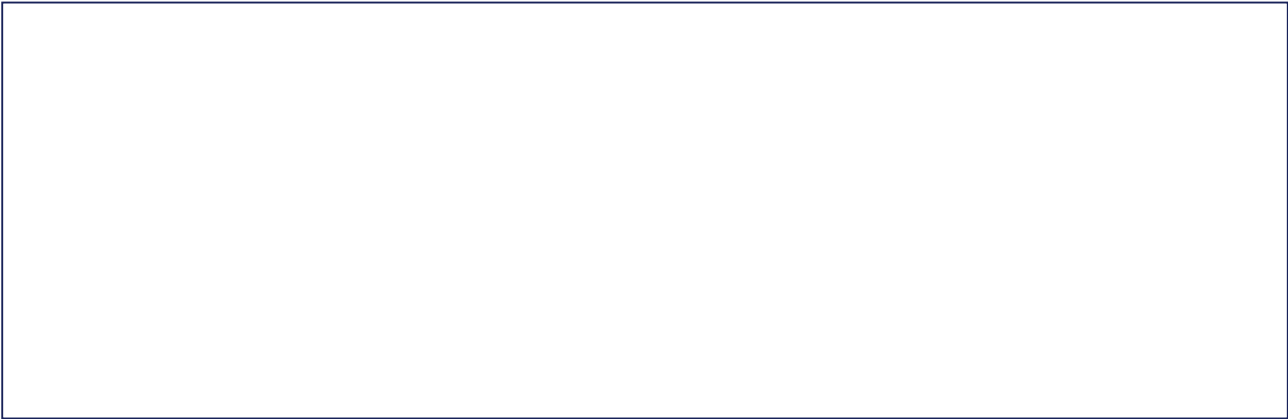
2. What are the chocolate eggs a symbol of? (1 mark)

3. Why do you think families share a meal at Easter? (2 marks)

4. How does the author feel about the change from winter to spring? (2 marks)

5. Do you like the idea of giving chocolate eggs as a gift? Why or why not? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a spring garden with bright flowers and a colorful egg hidden near a tree.



Extension challenge: Write two sentences about a tradition your family has. Use the word 'because' to explain why you like it.