DATE

LO: To list how Christians celebrate and remember the holy week.

Starter: Match the person to what they did:

Mary Magdalene	Rose from the dead.
Peter	Found the tomb open and empty.
Jesus	Didn't believe Jesus was alive at first but wondered why the strips of linen was left in the tomb.

KEY QUESTION:

Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good'?

Glossary:

commercial - making money from products.

crucifixion - person is nailed to a cross

entire - the whole

penance - to seek forgiveness for wrong doings.

resurrection - rising from the dead

traditional - something that has been done for many years.

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History

Easter is a festival in the Christian church year which celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on the third day after his Crucifixion. Some believe the word Easter comes from the word Eostre, who is a Teutonic goddess of spring and fertility. Easter is an entire season of the Christian church year rather than just one day of celebration; the 40-day period leading up to Easter Sunday is known as Lent and is a time of reflection and penance.

Traditions

Many Christians worldwide celebrate Easter with special church services, music, candlelight, flowers and ringing of church bells. In addition to Easter's religious significance, it also has a commercial side. In the UK people give each other chocolate Easter eggs and Easter bunnies, with Easter egg hunts taking place in back gardens all over the country. Egg rolling is also popular; people roll painted hard-boiled eggs against other people's eggs and the winner is the person whose egg remains whole.

Food

Food is a big part of the Easter celebrations in the UK with family and friends getting together for Easter Lunch. The most traditional dish is roast lamb which is often followed by a Simmel cake and lots of chocolate eggs. Tables will be filled with spring flowers such as daffodils, white lilies and tulips, and yellow and gold often feature heavily in decorations.

Easter Sunday is one of the most festive events among Christians worldwide. It commemorates Jesus Christ's resurrection from death, as written in the Christian bible. The holiday has become more commercialised with the sale of chocolate eggs, cards and baskets, but it is still seen as a special day for spending time with family and friends and enjoying delicious food.

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Look at the pictures of what Christians do to celebrate/remember Holy Week. Write a sentence describing each picture.









