

topic: **HOLIDAYS | Easter**

*Fill in each blank space with the correct response. If both responses are acceptable, choose the one that sounds **more natural**:*

Easter is a Christian religious holiday that commemorates the crucifixion and (1)_____ (resurrection/revival) of Jesus Christ. These days, Easter has a lot of (2)_____ (secular/sectional) traditions as well, which is why many non-Christians also celebrate it.

Good Friday commemorates the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. It is an (3)_____ (efficient/official) or "public" holiday in some parts of the English-speaking world.

Easter and all of its related holidays (Good Friday, Lent, etc.) are known as (4)_____ (movers/moveable) feasts/holidays, which means their date changes from year to year.

One of the main Easter traditions is (5)_____ (decorating/dressing) eggs - which involves painting them in a variety of colors.

On Easter Sunday, many people participate in a traditional Easter egg (6)_____ (look/hunt) - the colored eggs are hidden by the parents, and the children have to look for them.

Many Christians (even the ones who don't normally go to church) attend (7)_____ (mass/sermon) on Easter Sunday.

A very popular symbol of Easter is the Easter (8)_____ (Bunny/Hare), - traditionally, he's the one who "hides" and delivers the eggs.

Many families place colored eggs, and other decorated items, in an Easter (9)_____ (basket/bowl). These are given to children when they wake up on Easter Sunday.

Lent is a period of (10)_____ (fasting/feasting) - when one is not allowed to eat certain foods - which starts 40 days before Easter. Most people no longer (11)_____ (absolve/observe) Lent.

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ANSWERS:

1) resurrection 2)secular 3)official 4)moveable 5)decorating 6)hunt 7)mass
8)bunny 9)basket 10)fasting 11)observe