

All About Holy Week

What Is Easter?

Easter is a special day for Christians. It is when they remember Jesus. The week before Easter Sunday is called Holy Week. Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday.



Palm Sunday

On Palm Sunday, Jesus arrived in Jerusalem. The people were happy to see him and waved palm leaves. They made a path of palm leaves for Jesus to walk on.

Maundy Thursday

On Maundy Thursday, Jesus had a special dinner with his friends. This meal is called the Last Supper.



Good Friday

On Good Friday, Jesus was made to carry a wooden cross through the streets of Jerusalem. He was also made to wear a crown made of thorns. He was left to die on the cross and this made his friends very sad.

Holy Saturday

On Holy Saturday, Jesus' body was put into a tomb. A large, heavy stone was put in front of the entrance. A Roman guard watched over it.



Easter Sunday

On Easter Sunday, Jesus' friends visited the tomb and it was empty. For forty days they saw him in different places. Jesus then went to heaven.

Questions

1. When does Holy Week begin? Tick one.

- ☐ Easter Sunday
- ☐ Palm Sunday
- ☐ Holy Saturday

2. What happened on Maundy Thursday? Tick one.

- ☐ Jesus was placed in a tomb.
- ☐ Jesus walked on palm leaves.
- ☐ Jesus organised the Last Supper.

3. Complete the sentence below.

On Good Friday, _____.

4. What was Jesus made to wear on his head? Tick one.

- ☐ A crown made of gold
- ☐ A crown made of thorns
- ☐ A crown made of jewels

5. Order the events below as they happened.

- ☐ Jesus had to carry the cross.
- ☐ Jesus went to heaven.
- ☐ People waved palm leaves.
- ☐ Jesus was placed in a tomb.

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On Good Friday, **Jesus died on the cross.**

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- 2** Jesus had to carry the cross.
- 4** Jesus went to heaven.
- 1** People waved palm leaves.
- 3** Jesus was placed in a tomb.

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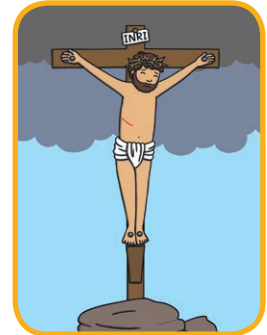
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On Palm Sunday, Jesus arrived in Jerusalem. Crowds of people came to see him. They waved palm leaves in the air and laid them on the ground for Jesus to walk on.



On Maundy Thursday, Jesus had a special meal with his friends. This meal is now known as the Last Supper. Jesus washed his friend's feet and told them they should always love one another.

On Good Friday, Jesus was made to carry a heavy wooden cross through the streets of Jerusalem. Jesus was made to wear a crown of thorns and was nailed to the cross. He was left there to die. This made his friends very sad.



On Holy Saturday, Jesus' body was put into a tomb. A large, heavy stone was put in front of the entrance and a Roman guard watched over it.

On Easter Sunday, Jesus' friends visited the tomb and it was empty. On that day, and for forty days afterwards, Jesus' friends saw him in different places. Easter Sunday is the day that Christians believe God raised Jesus from the dead.



Questions

1. Complete the sentence below.

The week before Easter Sunday is called _____.

2. What happened on Maundy Thursday? Tick two.

- ☐ Jesus washed his friend's feet.
- ☐ Jesus died on the cross.
- ☐ Jesus walked on palm leaves.
- ☐ Jesus ate at the Last Supper.

3. Match the two halves of the sentence by drawing lines.

On Good Friday,

Jesus rose
from the dead.

On Maundy
Thursday,

Jesus died on a cross.

On Easter Sunday,

Jesus was placed
in a tomb.

On Holy Saturday,

Jesus had a
special meal.

4. Find and copy a word that means **a large group of people**.

5. Why is Easter a special day for Christians?

Answers

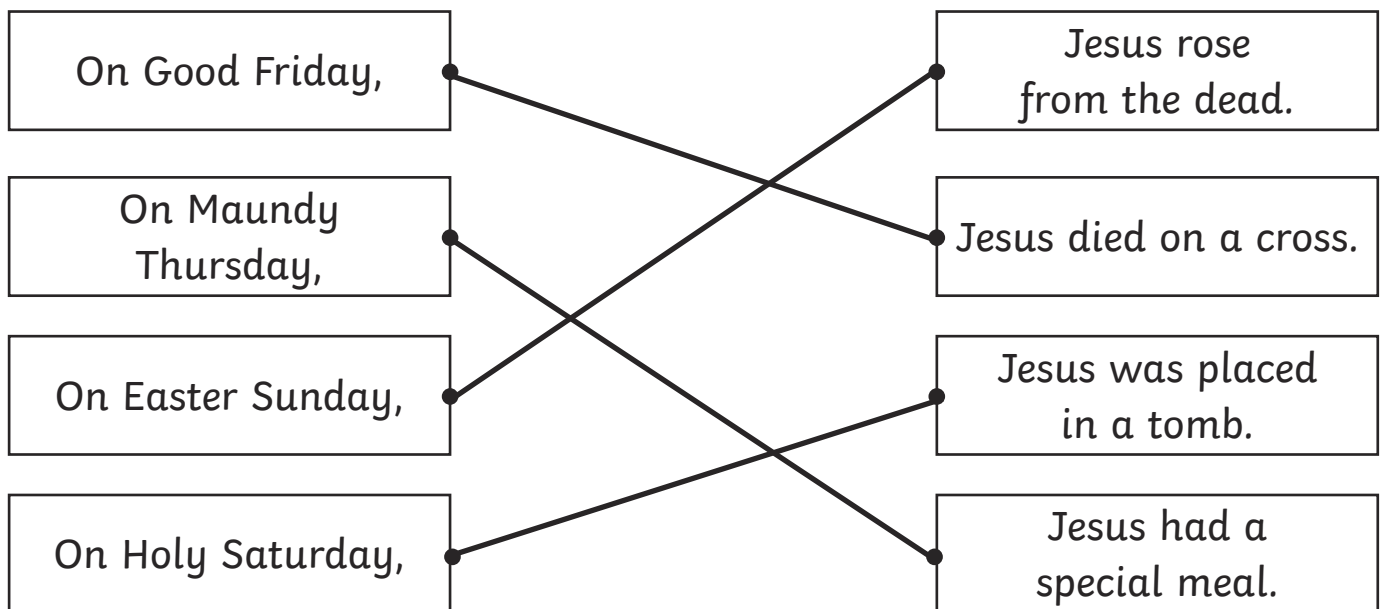
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4. Find and copy a word that means **a large group of people**.
crowd

5. Why is Easter a special day for Christians?

Pupils' own responses, such as: Easter is a special day for Christians because it is the day that Jesus rose from the dead.

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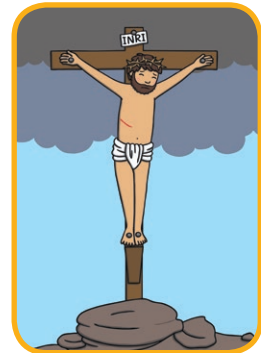
On Palm Sunday, Jesus and his followers went to Jerusalem. A large crowd of people gathered and waved palm leaves. They also made a special path covered in palm leaves for Jesus to walk on.



On Maundy Thursday, Jesus and his followers had their last meal together. This is known as the Last Supper. Jesus gave his friends bread and wine to remember him after he died. He told them to be kind to one another.

On Good Friday, Jesus was made to carry a heavy wooden cross through the city. Roman guards then nailed him to the cross and left him to die.

On Holy Saturday, Jesus' body was placed in a tomb; a large stone was rolled in front of the entrance. A Roman soldier also stood guard.



On Easter Sunday, Mary Magdalene and some of Jesus' other friends went to the tomb. Jesus' body wasn't there and the stone had been rolled away. An angel told them that Jesus had risen from the dead. On that day, and for forty days afterwards, Jesus' friends saw him in different places.

Easter Sunday is the day that Christians believe God raised Jesus from the dead. To celebrate Jesus coming back to life, Christians go to special church services.

Questions

1. When does Holy Week begin?

2. Find and copy two adjectives that describe **the cross Jesus was made to carry**.

3. Name two things that happened on Good Friday.

4. Order the events below as they happened.

- ☐ Jesus and his friends at the Last Supper.
- ☐ Crowds of people gathered to see Jesus.
- ☐ Jesus' body was placed in a tomb.
- ☐ For forty days, Jesus' friends saw him in different places.
- ☐ Jesus was made to carry a wooden cross.
- ☐ Mary Magdalene discovered that the tomb was empty.

5. Fill in the missing words.

On Maundy Thursday, Jesus gave his followers _____ and _____.

He also washed their _____.

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Roman guards nailed Jesus to the cross and he died.

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Pupils' own responses, such as: Easter Sunday is a happy day for Christians because it honours the day God rose Jesus from the dead.