

Easter

1. Draw a bow and arrow and an archer's target. What has this got to do with Easter?
2. What is the middle letter in the word sin? What is its significance?
3. Christmas in the northern hemisphere came about as a midwinter festival celebrating the start of shorter days. What was the pre-Christian, pagan celebration of April?
4. For the Israelites of the Bible days and in Jewish homes today, what is celebrated at the time of our Easter celebration? What is the significance of this celebration?
5. Why do some critics of Christianity say it's a religion of death? They say that it has a focus on a bloody cross, and celebrates martyrs. What is your response to this misunderstanding?
6. In Australia and New Zealand, ANZAC Day is celebrated shortly after Easter. What do these celebrations have in common?
7. Why do you think the people of Jerusalem celebrated Jesus as *Messiah-King* on Palm Sunday and then one week later were crying out, "Crucify him!"
8. What do you think about Easter bunny, and Easter eggs, as well as hot cross buns? Are they Christian traditions or just modern commercial ideas for making money on a holiday?
9. Death by slow torture is horrid for anyone. Why was it so much worse for Jesus?
10. How could you respond to a person who tries to explain away the resurrection? How could you use the Bible as a record of the truth of the resurrection?