

Dear Teacher,

These worksheets are designed to help you to follow up the GenR8 Easter presentation, by suggesting activities linked to the different items.

Some activities are more appropriate for younger and some for older children, although you could find that some special needs children may enjoy a 'younger' focus.

Many of the ideas are very practical, and could link in with your RE or Collective Worship as we run up to Easter.

Just as the questions in the excellent new RE Agreed Syllabus for Cambridgeshire provoke a reflective response, so the questions in the material here will particularly support Attainment Target 2.

Any feedback is always very helpful and much appreciated.

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Jesus in Art 'The Crucifixion' - John Reilly



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1. ACTION WORDS

Can you join each of the following action words to the relevant sport?
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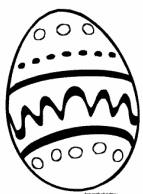
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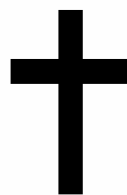


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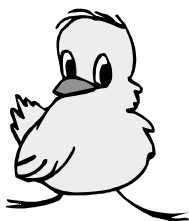
2. EASTER SKETCH



We are so excited when we receive our eggs at Easter time - all that chocolate!



But the team members found something different. Can you remember what these symbols mean to Christians?



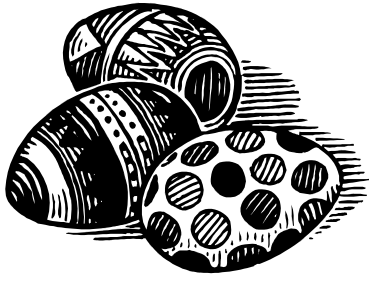
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an empty egg



God so loved the world
he gave his only Son
John Chapter 3 verse 16

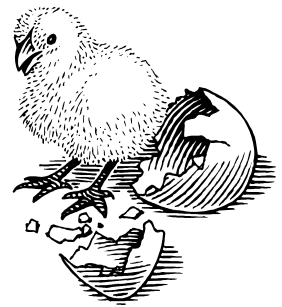
A bookmark to colour, cut out and keep.

3. HAPPY EASTER PUZZLE

Most of these items are associated with Easter in some way. Can you find all the following words in the word search below? Now sort out any words which are important in the Bible story of Easter.

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c	J	e	s	u	s	g	l	e
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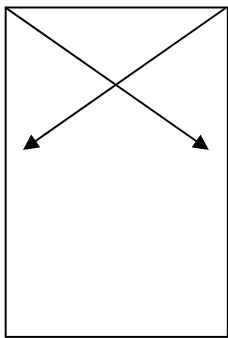
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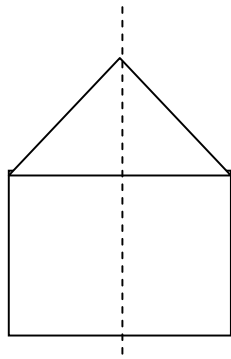
4. The FOLDING CROSS STORY

This is a simple way of re-telling the story of the cross. It can be done in an act of Collective Worship, but it does take practice to do it clearly and vertically as opposed to folding the paper on a table.

Folding Cross

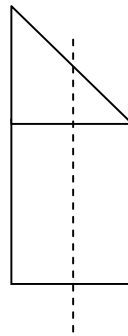


1. Start with a piece of A4 paper & fold top corners down diagonally.

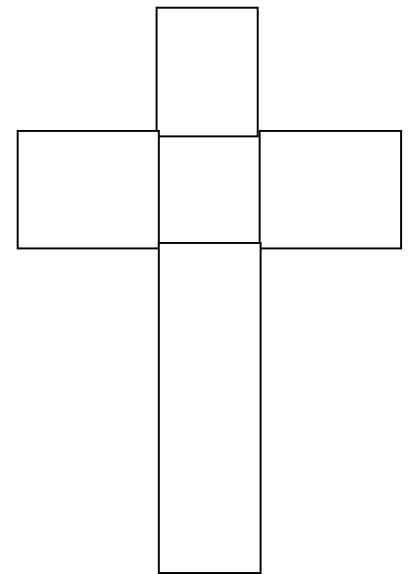


2. You have made a house shape. Now fold over vertically.

Fold & tear down here.



3. Repeat the vertical fold. Now tear down the new fold.



4. Open out the paper to reveal the cross.

Explanation

1. Use newspaper to illustrate the news, which often reveals a troubled world.
2. The house shape represents the church which is the house of God.
3. It is folded vertically between the hands to show an attitude of prayer.
4. It opens into a cross that shows the Good News.

5. THEME ILLUSTRATION - How far Jesus went for us (Music - Mission Impossible)

Have you ever tried to carry anyone on your back? Ask your teacher if you could carry your friend piggyback on the grass at playtime. It's really hard to go any distance, isn't it? Think about how hard it was for Jesus to carry our wrongdoing.



Alternatively, try the water carrying challenge.

The weight of the water represents the burden that Jesus carried.

Remember ~ 1 litre of water weighs 1 kilogram.

Can you carry a measured amount of water for 10 metres without spilling any of it and pass the bucket to your friend?

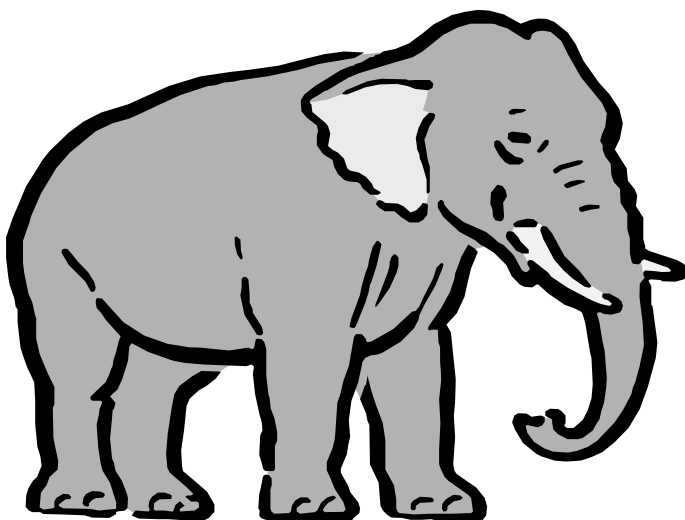
How many 10 metre lengths can you manage in 5 minutes?

6. SONG - Nobody's a Nobody

Ask one of your group to lie down on some brown paper and carefully draw round them using chalk. Now inside the person shape, write down words that describe a friend. How did Jesus show that he is our friend?

7. PUPPETS - A TALE ABOUT AN ELEPHANT

Start by cutting out enough 15cm squares of paper, so that everyone in the class can have one. Use paint to print your square, so that each square has one colour and texture, but each one should be different from the others. Copy an outline of Elmer on to a huge sheet of sugar paper, and add all your squares to remind you of the story you heard.



Or you could each shade part of the elephant using pencil shading, and copying the style from 'Where the Wild Things Are'.

Sometimes it is hard to believe something incredible if you haven't seen it. But that's what happened to the disciples. Some of them saw Jesus alive again, & some of them didn't. Christians today believe that Jesus came alive again, even though they weren't there 2000 yrs ago.

8. EASTER RESURRECTION - THE GREATEST DAY EVER!

(John Hardwick has given permission for you to reproduce his sketch in your school. It is based on the account of the Resurrection in the Gospel of John Chapter 20.)

I wonder if you've ever been really upset, confused and overjoyed all in the same day!?

It must have been like that for Jesus' friends. They had seen him taken, beaten and put to death on a cross. They were deeply upset and many of them ran away! They were very scared hiding in a house behind closed doors, terrified that Romans soldiers would be after them next!

Three days later there came a sudden loud knocking at the door. They all froze; was it the Romans? Had they tracked them down?

The knock came again even louder this time! "Let me in!" came a trembling voice - a lady's voice.

"Who is it?" they said cautiously.

"Mary!"

"Mary, shush Mary, someone may hear you."

They opened the door and Mary hurried in,

"He's gone!" she exploded.

"Calm down, Mary, Who's gone?" they asked.

"He's gone!"

"Who?"

"Jesus!"

"Oh Mary." They put their arms round her and tried to comfort her.

"Yes, but you know that he has gone, Mary. You saw Jesus crucified, you saw him die!"

"No, you don't understand. I went to his tomb this morning, but his body has gone; someone has stolen his body!" wept Mary.

When Peter and John heard this they seemed to forget about the danger they were in and raced out of the room running down the street to the tomb, not

knowing what to expect. When they arrived it was just like Mary had said the huge stone that had been put in front of the tomb was gone. They went inside the tomb and it was true, Jesus' body had gone! Just like Mary had said, his grave clothes were there, but Jesus' body was gone!

Mary also wandered back to the tomb, but Peter and John soon left and went back to the room to report back to the others. The two of them were very upset and confused as they explained that it was true Jesus' body had gone! Once again the group were silent, confused and upset, when suddenly there came a hammering on the door again!

"Shush everyone, it must be the Romans," but the hammering continued and an excited voice shouted, "Let me in, let me in."

"Gosh, it's Mary again. Quick let her in before she knocks the door down."

Mary wasn't upset this time, in fact the opposite.

"I've seen, him, I've seen him!" she declared and she danced around with delight. They were all amazed at the change in her!

"Seen who?"

"Who do you think? Why, Jesus, of course!"

"Jesus? Oh Mary the stress must be getting to you. Jesus was killed on the cross; we've been through all this!"

"I know, but I've seen him and now he's alive again! I went back to the tomb in the garden, when a man asked me why I was crying, I thought it was the gardener so I asked him what they had done with my Lord but then he said my name, he said 'Mary' and when I looked into his face it was Jesus! He's alive!"

"Mary, Mary, you're going mad - he's dead! You've got to accept the fact!"

"If he's dead then who is that?"

They all turn and froze with shock because there he was! Jesus I mean standing there and very much alive. Yes, he had done what he said he would do he had conquered death and come back to them! He was alive again!

He spoke to them and ate with them.

Jesus' friends were amazed, scared, confused, excited and overjoyed all at the same time.

What a day - the greatest day ever! Jesus is alive!

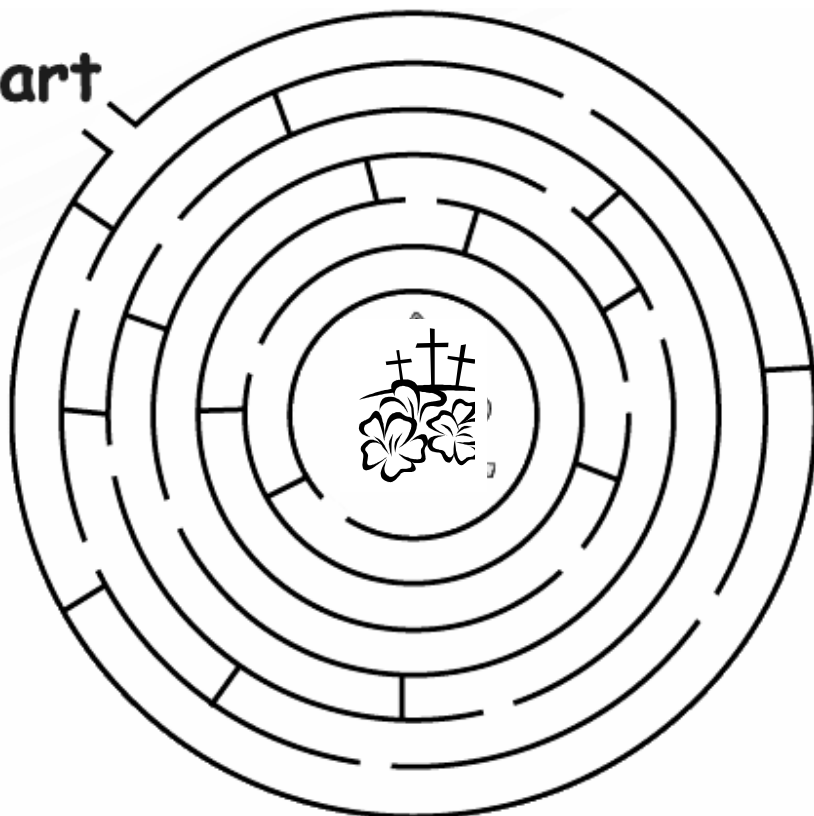
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What is the difference between a crazy bunny and a counterfeit banknote?
One is bad money and the other is a mad bunny!

Answers to the Action Words Puzzle

Trampolining ~ barani, Golf ~ swing, Hockey ~ push, Cricket ~ bowl, Athletics ~ sprint, Swimming ~ tumble turn, Diving ~ spring, Tennis ~ volley, Rowing ~ stroke, Basketball ~ lay up.

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