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Hello Everybody,

Welcome to the Easter Activity Pack. In many parts of the world Easter heralds the start of spring, but for us here in the Antipodes we are going into Autumn! Cooler weather to enjoy all that Chocolate!

Also, a Happy Easter everybody!

Enjoy, and have a great week everybody, stay safe!

The Caladenia Team with My Dementia Companion





APRIL

FOOLS' DAY

APRIL 1



April Fools Trivia

The tradition of April Fools began with the change from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian calendar in the 16th century. In the Julian calendar the New Year began in April. When in 1582 Pope Gregory XIII replaced the calendar, the New Year changed to begin January. Despite most countries adhering to it, the news failed to reach many people and in France they continued to celebrate New Year in April. The people that knew about the change started calling them 'April Fools' and played tricks on them and this spread across the world. The last countries to convert to the Gregorian calendar were Russia (1918) and Greece (1923). Both countries, however, continue to follow the Julian calendar for liturgical purposes, hence they have different dates for Easter and Christmas.

April Fools' Day traditions in other countries

England – A rule has been stipulated that pranks and hoaxes are allowed until noon only. Anyone breaking the rule is taunted with: "April Fool's Day past and gone, You're the fool for making one."

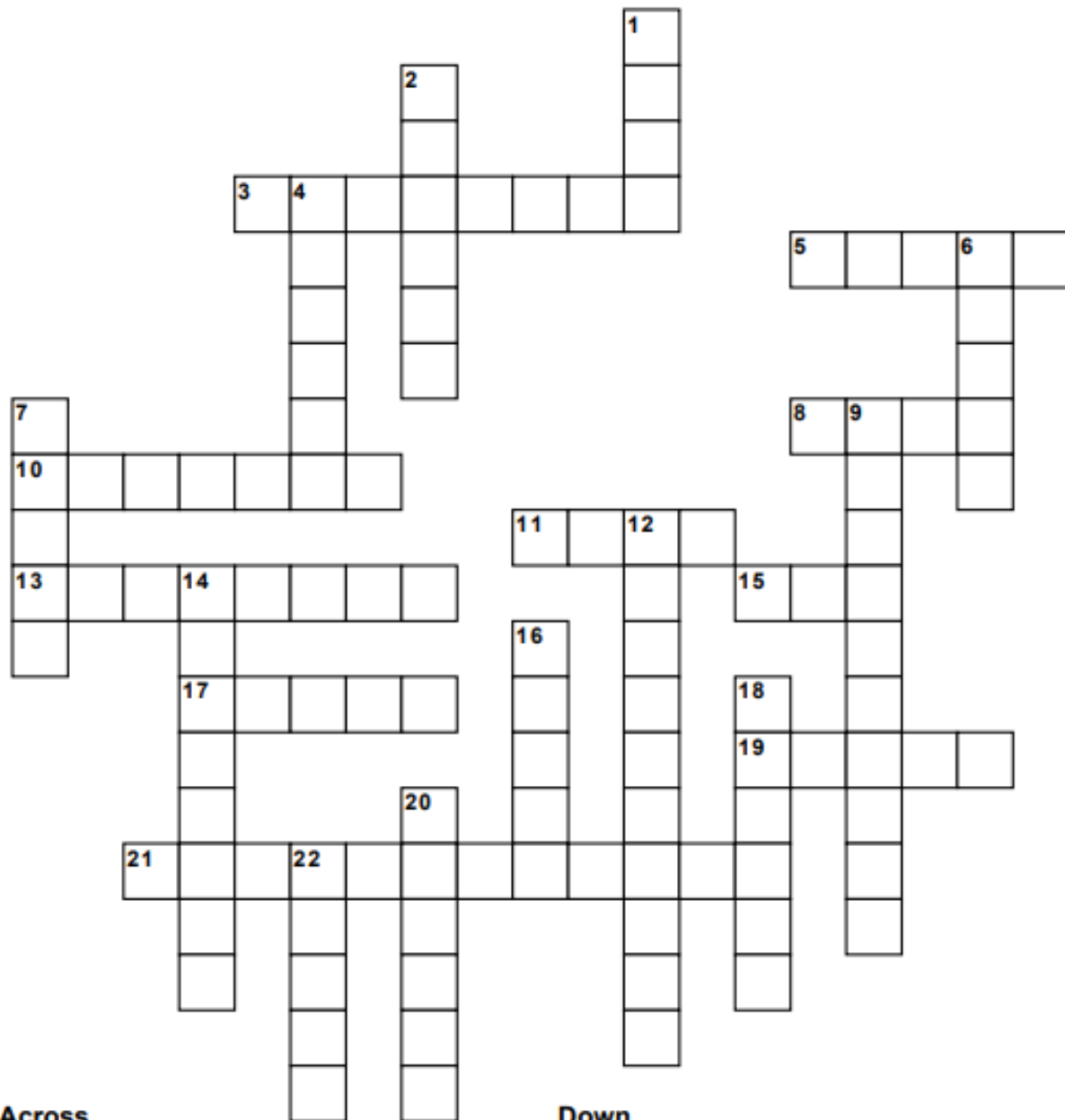
France and Italy - April Fools is called "Poisson d'Avril" and "Pesce d'Aprile" respectively. It means April Fish because it coincided with Lent when meat was forbidden, and fish was eaten instead. Children tape a picture of a fish on the backs of their colleagues and wait for the transgression to be discovered.

Brazil – The date became famous in Brazil after a satirical publication called 'A Mentira' (the Lie) announced in 1828 that Don Pedro, Emperor of Brazil had died.

Scotland – Scotland liked it so much they extended the date to two days. The first day they try to send a friend on a fool's errand and on the second day, the 'Taily Day' they tape a sign 'Kick me' on the posterior of any unsuspecting victim!

Poland – Pranks are allowed but serious activities are avoided. This conviction is so strong that when the alliance with Leopold I (Holy Roman Emperor) against the Turks was signed on April 1, 1683 it was backdated to March 31!

April Fools Day Crossword



Across

- 3 - Comedian, recently deceased. Robin ____ (8)
 5 - Being 'over the moon' is being ____ (5)
 8 - Read a bar code (4)
 10 - Eight sided shape (7)
 11 - ____ Scotia (4)
 13 - German car manufacturer, starting with 'M'
 15 - 'Play it again ____' (3)
 17 - April Zodiac Sign (5)
 19 - 'A fool and his ____ are soon parted' (5)
 21 - Record label founded by the Beatles (5, 7)

Down

- 1 - Famous rabbit, ____ Bunny (4)
 2 - These animals are said to howl at the moon (6)
 4 - Colour of the rainbow, starting with I (6)
 6 - 'Penny wise and ____ foolish' (5)
 7 - Fish bait (5)
 9 - Type of ape, starts with 'C' (10)
 12 - Someone who doesn't eat meat (10)
 14 - Eccentric, foolish person; starts with 'C' (8)
 16 - Movie title: 'The Sound of ____' (5)
 18 - A queen once said: 'We are not ____' (6)
 20 - Cadbury chocolate frog (6)
 22 - Jokes make you ____ (5)

Funny Short Stories

The Roommate

A mother visits her son for dinner. He lives with a female friend. During the meal, she can't help but notice how pretty his roommate is. She has long been suspicious of a relationship between the two and this has only made her more curious. Over the course of the evening, she watches the two interact and wonders if there is more between them.

Reading his mother's thought, her son volunteers, "I know what you must be thinking, but I assure you, we are just roommates."

A week later, his roommate comes to him saying, "Ever since your mother came to dinner, I've been unable to find the silver plate. You don't suppose your mother took it, do you?"

He replies: "Well, I doubt it, but I'll email her just to be sure!" He sits down and writes to his mother:

Dear Mother,

Since your visit last week, the silver plate has been missing. I am not saying that you took the silver plate from my house, and I'm not saying that you didn't take it, but the fact remains that it has been missing ever since you were here for dinner."

Your loving son.

Several days later, he receives an email response from his mother:

Dear Son,

I am not saying that you are with your roommate, and I am not saying that you are not with her, but the fact remains that if she were sleeping in her OWN bed, she would have found the silver plate by now, under her pillow.

Your loving mother.

Trust Him

On the Sunday before Christmas the Rev Billy Graham was walking down Highland Street in North Carolina on his way to see a parishioner. However, he wanted to post a parcel urgently, so he asked a young boy where he could find the Post Office. When the boy had directed him, Rev. Graham thanked him and said, "If you come up to the Church this evening you can hear me telling everyone how to get to heaven."

The boy replied - "I think I'll give your sermon a miss. If you do not even know your way to the Post Office,

how will you lead me to heaven?"



The Swiss Spaghetti Harvest

In 1957 the BBC (British Broadcasting Company) fooled their viewers on the news show Panorama. A news reporter told viewers that the Swiss spaghetti harvest was busy gathering a plentiful crop. There was footage showing peasants pulling spaghetti from trees. Viewers who called in to the station asked about how to grow a spaghetti tree. The BBC answer was to "place a sprig of spaghetti in a tin of tomato sauce and hope for the best."

Cool Trick!

An Australian millionaire towed an iceberg from Antarctica to Sydney harbour in 1978. Many people were overly excited and rushed to the shore to see it. As the iceberg approached it started to rain and the hoax was revealed. The 'iceberg' was made of shaving cream!

Taco Bell Restaurant

In 1996 the restaurant chain 'Taco Bell' purchased full pages ads in seven major newspapers across the U.S. The ads announced that Taco Bell had bought the famous Liberty Bell, an iconic symbol of American Independence, and was changing its name to 'Taco Liberty Bell'. Even though it said that the purchase was to 'help alleviate national debt' thousands of people were outraged. The phone rang hot with people protesting until Taco Bell revealed the hoax. Taco Bell earned millions of dollars in free publicity with this strategy.

Changing Hands

The BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation) played an April 1 trick on the English people in 1980. They announced that Big Ben was going digital, and the clock hands were up for sale to the highest bidder. The British people were angry about losing the world's largest chiming clock located at Westminster Palace in London.

Wasp Swarm

A New Zealand DJ announced to his listeners that a mile-wide wasp swarm was headed towards Auckland. He urged his listeners to take various steps to protect themselves such as wearing socks over their trousers to go to work and leaving honey-smear traps outside their houses. Hundreds of people followed his advice until he admitted it was an April Fool's joke.

Pay by Weight!

In 2011, Air New Zealand announced its new 'Pay by Weight' plan, where passengers would be charged according to their weight. They added that it was an ideal way to 'decrease your airfare and your waistline at the same time'.

April Fools!



Word Ladder #5

Joke - Jest

Instructions: In word ladders, you change one word into another. At each step along the way, change just one letter to make a new word. Clues are given at each step!

Answers	Hint
JOKE	A story with a funny punchline
— — — —	Finger jab
— — — —	Coca-Cola
— — — —	Arrive
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Jokes

Why isn't the Koala a real bear?

Because he does not have the right koalifications!

A man enters a pet shop and says: "Can I buy a goldfish"?

The shop owner asks, "do you want an aquarium?"

The man replies, "I don't care what star sign it is."

How does NASA organise a party?

They 'planet'.

A man came home late at night after a party.

His wife yelled: "How would you like it if you didn't see me for three days?"

He replied, "That would be fine with me."

Monday went by and he did not see his wife.

Tuesday and Wednesday came and went with the same results.

Thursday, the swelling went down just enough for him to see her a little out of the corner of his left eye.

A new teacher was trying to make use of her psychology courses.

She started her class by saying, "Everyone who thinks they're stupid, stand up!"

After a few seconds, Little Johnny stood up.

The teacher said, "Do you think you're stupid, Little Johnny?"

"No, ma'am, but I hate to see you standing there all by yourself!"

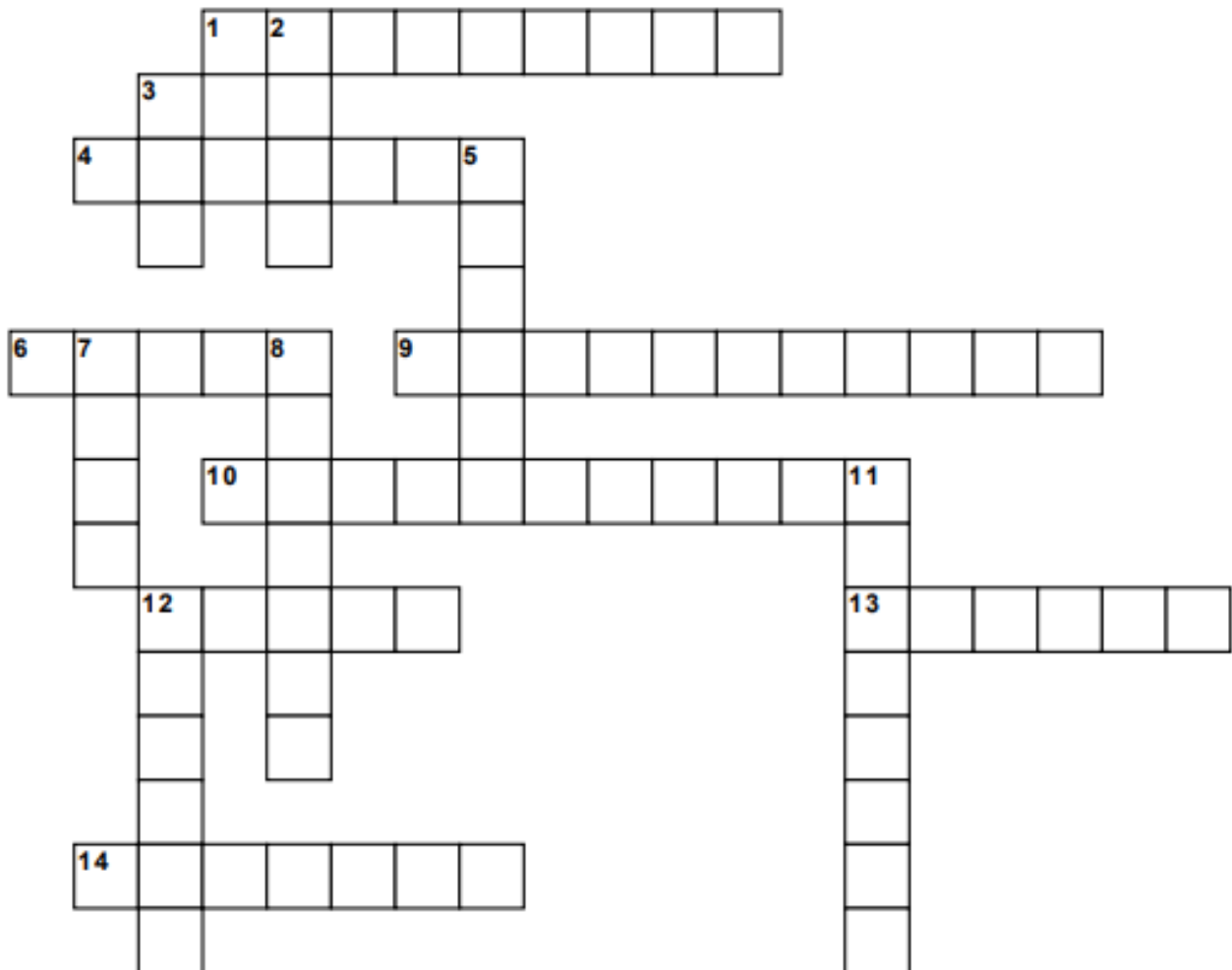
HAPPY
EASTER





1. Who was the jeweller to the Russian Court famous Easter eggs?
2. President Hayes started which annual White house event in 1878?
3. Shrove Tuesday is also known as?
4. In the Catholic calendar, what are the 50 days following Easter called?
5. Easter Sunday always falls after the 21st of March. Which factor determines the exact date?
6. What is the Sunday before Easter called?
7. Who was the first person to see Jesus alive on the first Easter Sunday?
8. Eggs are associated with Easter because they are a symbol of what?
9. Which term begins after Easter at some universities?
10. One of the holiest Christian holidays is named after a pagan goddess. Which holiday and can you name the goddess?
11. Who was the last monarch to wash the feet of the poor on Maundy Thursday as an act of humility in remembrance of Jesus washing the feet of his disciples?
12. Why do Christians fast for the 40 days of Lent that leads to Easter?
13. The term Maundy, describing the Thursday that commemorates the last supper and celebrated the day before Good Friday, is derived from the Latin word mandatum, meaning what?
14. The Good Friday agreement, signed on Good Friday 1998, is also known as what?
15. Who do children think delivers their Easter eggs?

Easter



Across

- 1 - Most popular Easter present (9)
- 4 - Traditional Easter hats usually tied with ribbons (7)
- 6 - In 'Alice in Wonderland' what colour is the rabbit with the pocket watch? (5)
- 9 - In the song 'Easter Parade' what street do they walk down? (11)
- 10 - Female star of the film 'Easter Parade'? (11)
- 12 - Another word for 'rabbit' (5)
- 13 - These hatch out of real eggs (5)
- 14 - What do eggs represent at Easter? (3,4)

Down

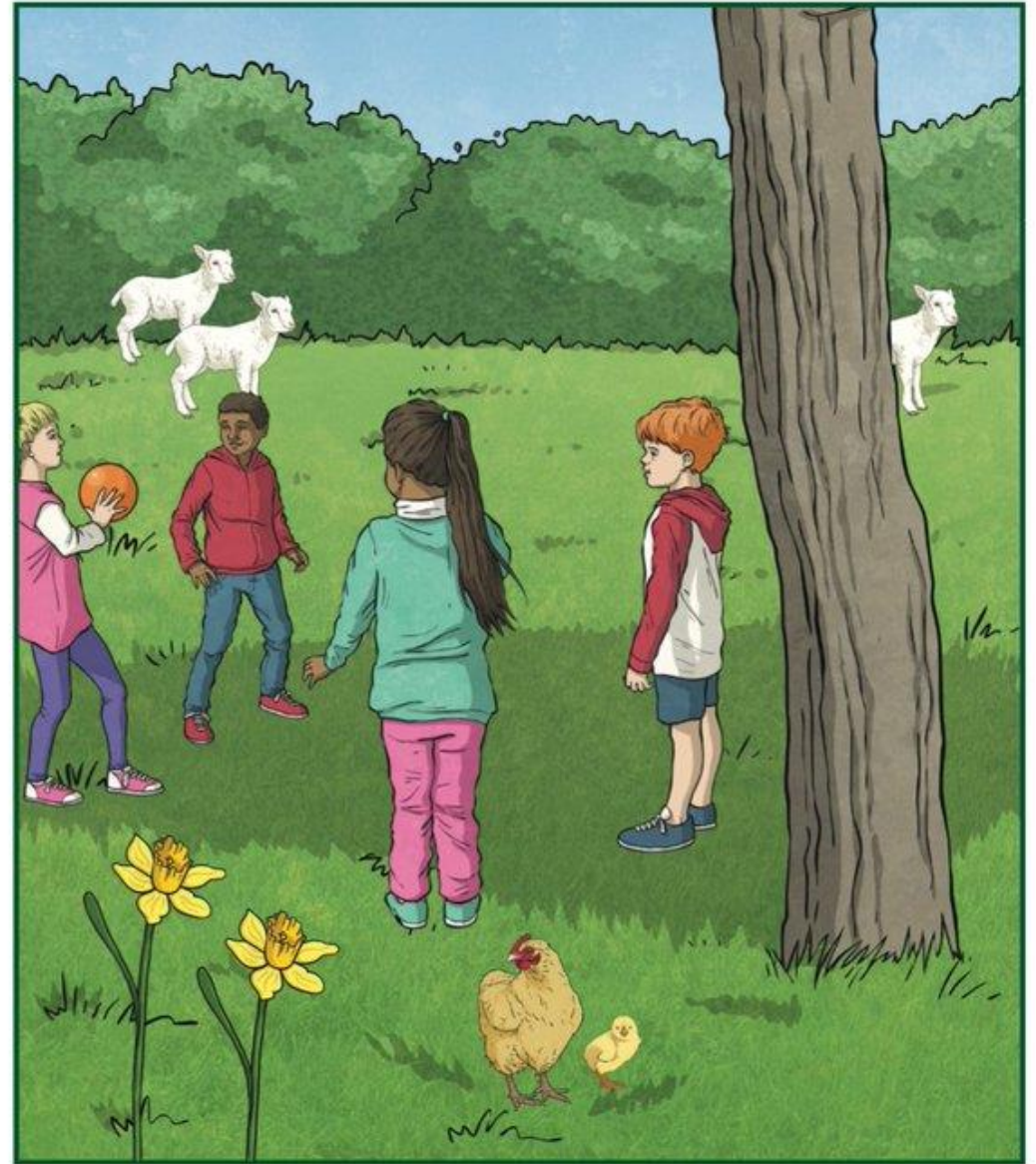
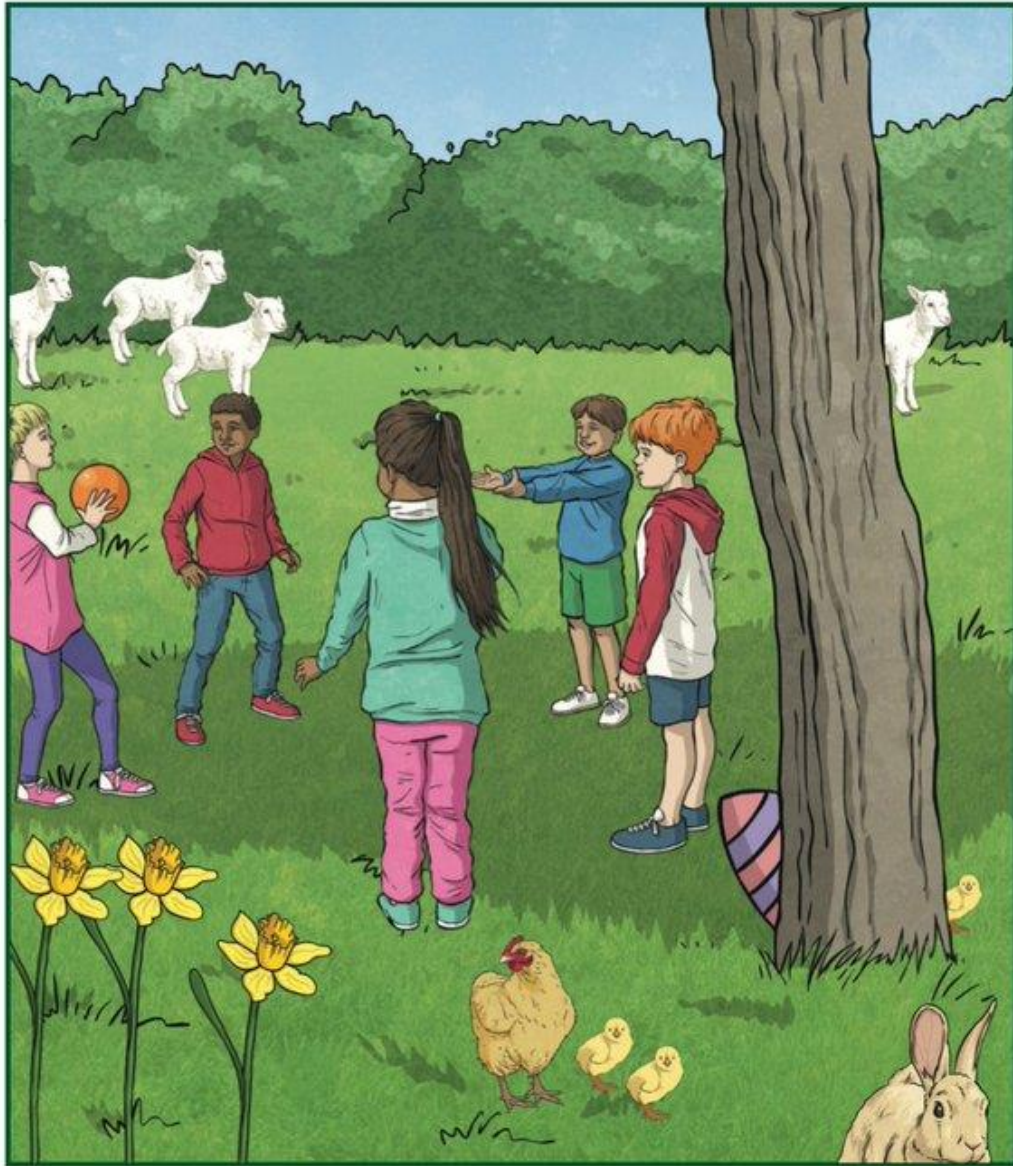
- 2 - The search for Easter Eggs: Easter Egg (4)
- 3 - A female rabbit (3)
- 5 - What season is Easter associated with? (6)
- 7 - An animal that looks like a rabbit with long ears (4)
- 8 - The date for Easter changes every year because of this (7)
- 11 - Make eggs look pretty (8)
- 12 - Something used to collect Easter eggs (6)

Can you spot 9 Differences?





Easter Spot the Difference



There are 7 Differences to find!

Sudoku

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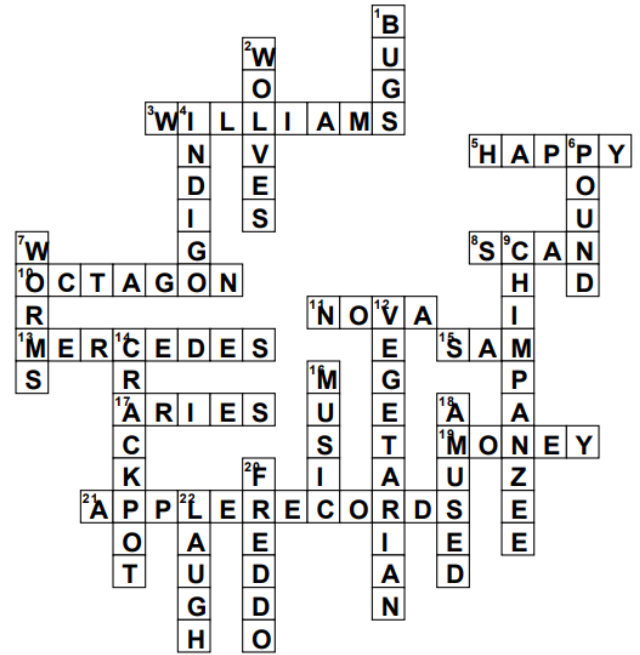
Word Ladder #5 – Answers

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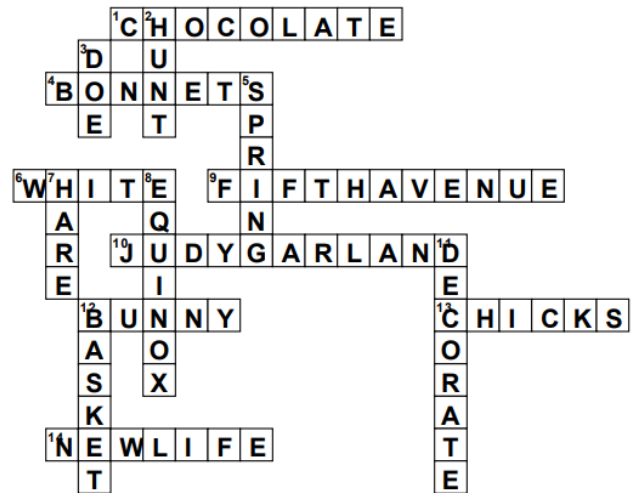
How did you do? Answers provided below.

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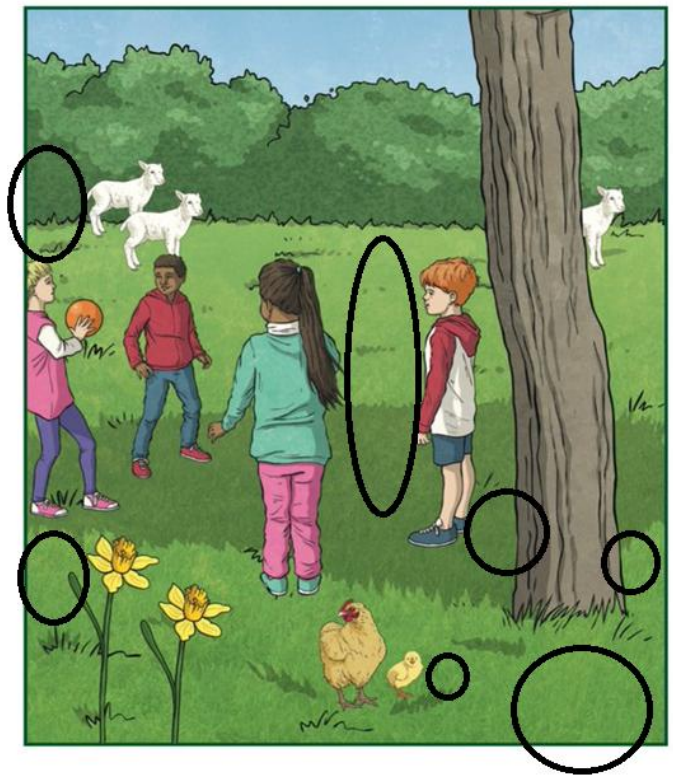
April Fools Day Crossword



Easter



Answers 1. Faberge, 2. Easter Egg Roll, 3. Pancake Day, 4. Pentecost or Whitsun, 5. The first full moon after 21st march – Easter Sunday falls on the first Sunday following this, 6. Palm Sunday, 7. Mary Magdalene, 8. Rebirth, 9. Trinity, 10. Easter. It derives from the Anglo-Saxon goddess Eostre, who governed the vernal equinox, 11. King James II, 12. To replicate the account of the sacrifice of Jesus before he came back to life, 13. Command, 14. Belfast Agreement, 15. Easter Bunny



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