



1. Why do we celebrate Easter?
2. Do you celebrate Easter in your country?
3. How do you celebrate Easter in your country?
4. Do you have any special family traditions?
5. Did the original meaning of Easter get lost?



# Origin of Easter

Easter (English)  
Eastre (Anglo-Saxon)  
Ishtar (Babylonian)  
Ashtaroth (Hebrew)  
Astarte (Greek)

**Astarte** -

is the Phoenician and Greek  
"fertility goddess."

**Ashtaroth** - is the Hebrew name for  
the Canaanite "fertility goddess."

**Ishtar** -

is the Babylonian "fertility goddess."

**Eastre** -

is the Anglo Saxon "fertility goddess."



6. Do you celebrate Easter?

7. What do you do to celebrate it?

8. Do you consider it an important holiday?

Why or why not?



9. Do you think it used to be more important than it is today? Why or why not?

10. Do you think it is wrong to associate religious holidays with other types of things, like Easter and the bunny?



Happy  
Easter!

