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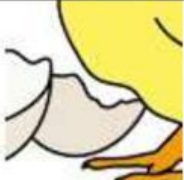
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SPRING GUESSING

Can you guess what these pictures represent?

Match the correct word with the picture.

Spring

ladybug - Easter egg –butterfly –tulip – blossom –chick
 snowdrop –April Fool's Day –nest - daffodil – melting snow –bee
 rain –sun –Easter bunny – crocus – seed – swallow – cherry
 violet

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Reading



Who was Saint Patrick?

St Patrick's day is on March 17th. It is both an Irish religious and national holiday. Immigrants from Ireland brought this tradition to the United States.

St Patrick is a very famous and important person in Ireland. He was born in Wales around 389 AD. When he was 16, he was kidnapped by bandits and taken to Ireland as a slave. He worked as a shepherd. He had a dream in which God told him to leave Ireland by going to the coast.

He escaped to Gaul (France) after six long years of slavery. He studied in a monastery for twelve years near Auxerre, in France. He had a vision telling him to return to Ireland as a missionary. At sixty, he came back to Ireland to convert the pagans of Ireland to Christianity. He used the shamrock to explain the concept of the Trinity (Father, Son, Holy Spirit). St Patrick's mission in Ireland lasted for thirty years. He died on March 17 in 461 AD.

St Patrick's Day today

On Saint Patrick's Day everything is green, the colour of hope and nature. Even beer is green on that day. In the US the Chicago River is even dyed green. Saint Patrick's Day is a celebration honouring Saint Patrick.

People also organize parades with Irish music and dancing through the streets, with big bands – and not only in Ireland. About 500,000 people go to the parade in Dublin. Irish people all over the world wear green clothes and ribbons in their hair. If you don't wear green on Saint Patrick's Day you get pinched as a punishment. At the parade people wear green, white and orange hats... or hair ! They also wear badges that say " Kiss me, I'm Irish!"



IRISH SYMBOLS



The shamrock is the symbol of Ireland. Shamrocks bring good luck. Legend says that if you find a four-leaf shamrock and you put it in your shoe under your heel, you will marry the first person you'll meet.



Leprechauns are magical little men from Irish legends, they have a pot of gold at the end of a rainbow. If you follow the rainbow, you can try to catch it, but be careful leprechauns are very quick!!!

The flag : green, white and orange are the colours on the Irish tricolour flag :

- green is for Catholics
- orange is for Protestants
- white is for peace between them



Read the text and do the tasks.

True or false?

1. St Patrick's Day is on March 17th.
2. St Patrick was born in Ireland.
3. He was kidnapped when he was a teenager.
4. He worked as a farmer in Ireland.
5. He escaped after six years of slavery.
6. He studied in France for twelve years.
7. He returned to Ireland as a soldier.
8. On St Patrick's Day, people often wear green clothes.
9. The Chicago River is sometimes dyed blue.
10. Leprechauns are slow and easy to catch.

Finish the sentences with 1-2 words.

- a) Saint Patrick was born in _____.
- b) When he was 16, he was kidnapped and taken to _____.
- c) He worked as a _____.
- d) After six years, he escaped to _____.
- e) He studied in a _____ for twelve years.
- f) Later, he returned to Ireland as a (6) _____.
- g) On St Patrick's Day, people wear (7) _____ clothes.
- h) Leprechauns have a pot of gold at the end of a (8) _____.

Match the pairs and write in the table below. There's an EXTRA definition.

a) gold	1) something or someone from Ireland; the language spoken in Ireland
b) shamrock	2) an organized public event where people walk or drive together in the street to celebrate something
c) leprechaun	3) the capital and largest city of Northern Ireland
d) Irish	4) a patron saint of Ireland; an English missionary to Ireland in the 5th century
e) rainbow	5) one of a race of elves in Irish folklore who can reveal hidden treasure to those who catch them
f) Belfast	6) the chance happening of fortunate or adverse events
g) parade	7) many colors in the sky that you can see after rain when the sun shines
h) St Patrick	8) a yellow metal that is very valuable and used for money, jewelry, and decorations
i) luck	9) the capital and largest city of Ireland, in the east-central part of the country on the Irish Sea
j) Dublin	10) the symbol of Ireland used by St Patrick to explain the concept of the Trinity
	11) a white or grey shape in the sky made of very small drops of water

a)	b)	c)	d)	e)	f)	g)	h)	i)	j)

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Find the rhyming pairs at the end of the lines. There's an EXTRA word.

Easter bunny soft and white,
Hopping quickly out of _____.
Thank you for the eggs you _____.
At Easter time to welcome _____.
Yellow eggs and blue and red,
In the grass and flower _____.
We will hunt them _____;
Is it really you who put them _____?

sight
everywhere

bed
said
there
spring
bring

