Easter traditions around the world

Match the words to the pictures. Which words are usually related to Easter?

bunny	chick	chocolate eggs	daffodil
Easter basket	egg hunt	egg roll	hot cross buns
kites	lamb	saucepans	witches

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

9. _____

10. _____

11. _____

12. _____

Listening 1

Listen to five people talking about Easter traditions in their countries. Match the people to the country and the tradition.

Speaker 1	a.	Greece	i.	→ People fly kites.
Speaker 2	b.	Bermuda	ii.	→ People have egg fights.
Speaker 3	c.	Germany	iii.	→ People throw things out of their windows
Speaker 4	d.	Sweden	iv.	→ People make a tree and put eggs on it.
Speaker 5	e.	Bulgaria	v.	→ Children dress as witches.

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Listening 2

Are these sentences True or False? Listen again and check.

a. **Speaker 1** was born in Sweden. → _____

b. **Speaker 2** has a friend who lived in Corfu, but doesn't anymore. → _____

c. **Speaker 3** says that people throw eggs at each other in Bulgaria. → _____

d. **Speaker 4** is married to a German person. → _____

e. **Speaker 5** traveled to Bermuda a few years ago. → _____

Listen to the speakers again and choose the correct words.

Speaker 1: My mum is from Sweden, and she told me that when she was a child, she and the other kids used to dress up as witches and go to people's houses to ask for _____[1]. So it's a bit like Halloween here, but the children also give Easter cards that they make themselves, so that's _____[2].

Speaker 2: I have a friend who used to live in Corfu, Greece, and he told me of a very _____[3] tradition they have there: people throw saucepans out of their windows! They _____[4] it makes all the bad things go away.

Speaker 3: I'm half-British, half-Bulgarian, I used to _____[5] having egg fights at Easter in my childhood in Bulgaria. The whole family color eggs (the first one had to be red), then hit them against each other. If your egg doesn't break, you are the _____[6].

Speaker 4: My husband is German so we always make an Ostereierbaum at Easter. It's a _____[7] tree with colored eggs on it. When I was a child, we didn't use to celebrate Easter, so it's great to make the tree with our _____[8].

Speaker 5: I was on _____[9] in Bermuda last Easter and do you know what they do for Easter? They fly kites! They make the kites themselves and it's really _____[10] to watch.

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Speaking 2

In groups, discuss if the sentences below are Right or Wrong. You can't search online. Put a number from 1-5 next to each sentence based on how sure you are (5 = very sure). Then check with your teacher how many points you scored.

Group 1:

1. The idea for the Easter bunny started in Germany. _____
2. Most UK chocolate sales happen at Easter time. _____
3. In the US, 76% of people eat the bottom part of a chocolate bunny first. _____
4. In 2007, an Easter egg with a lot of diamonds on it was sold for $11 million. _____
5. People think the name 'Easter' is used because of a goddess with a similar name. _____

Group 2:

1. People sometimes eat special ham at Easter. _____
2. The tallest chocolate egg in the world was 34.08ft in height and made in Belgium. _____
3. 900 million chocolate bunnies are made every year. _____
4. The first "White House Easter Egg Roll" with the US President was over 100 years ago. _____
5. The first chocolate Easter egg in the UK was produced in the 19th century. _____

Speaking 3

Answer the questions below in pairs.

1. What do you do at Easter in your country?
2. What do you eat at Easter?
3. Do you have the Easter bunny in your country, or do you have something else?
4. Do you like Easter? Why/why not?
5. How did your parents and grandparents use to celebrate Easter? Are Easter traditions changing?

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Speaking 1: Let's Play!

Follow the instructions below to play Taboo.

1. Form pairs.
2. One student chooses a card and explains the underlined word **without** using any of the words below it (or the word itself).
3. The other student has two guesses, then it is their turn to choose a card.

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Grammar 1

Read the grammar box with sentences from the listening below.

- *...she and the other kids used to dress up as witches and go to people's houses to ask for sweets*
- *...one thing I used to love from my childhood in Bulgaria were egg fights.*
- *When I was a child, we didn't use to celebrate Easter, so it's great to make the tree with our kids.*

We can talk about a past habit with → ***used to + verb.***

The negative is → ***didn't use to + verb.***

Now, complete the sentences with the correct form of *used to* and the verbs in the box.

bake	**spend**	**travel**	**hide**	**not like**

1. When I was little, we always had an egg hunt: my dad _____ eggs in the garden for my sisters and me to find.
2. I _____ Easter because I can't have chocolate, but now I love preparing things for my children.
3. My grandmother _____ hot cross buns for us every Easter. They're a type of bread and they're really nice!
4. I live near Washington D.C., so my family _____ every year to the White House to see the Easter Egg Roll.
5. My brother and I _____ hours painting eggs when we were children.

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CHOCOLATE EGGS

eat
Easter
sweet
present

EASTER CARD

write
give
paper
picture

BUNNY

animal
Easter
eggs
tradition

HOT CROSS BUNS

bread
bake
eat
Easter

EGG HUNT

find
basket
look for
children

KITE

fly
sky
Bermuda
tradition

BASKET

eggs
Easter
bunny
food

EGG ROLL

eggs
garden
grass
play

CHICK

yellow
animal
chicken
small

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