

The Easter Story

By Ann and friends

(Please note: no rules were broken in the making of this film)

I'm going to tell us the Easter story and I've got some little friends who are going to help me tell you the Easter story. Now I need to tell you that when taking the pictures, we definitely stood 2m apart and all the pictures were filmed as part of our daily exercise routine.

The Easter story is about a man called Jesus. He was a very special man and wherever Jesus went, lots of people wanted to be near him but he had some special friends who were with him most of the time



Do you think Jesus was happy or sad to have friends?

Point to the picture which shows whether you think Jesus was happy or sad to have his friends



Yes, Jesus was happy to have his friends

Jesus and his friends did lots of things together.
They talked together, went to different places
together, they laughed together and ate meals
together, including a very special meal at the start
of Easter.



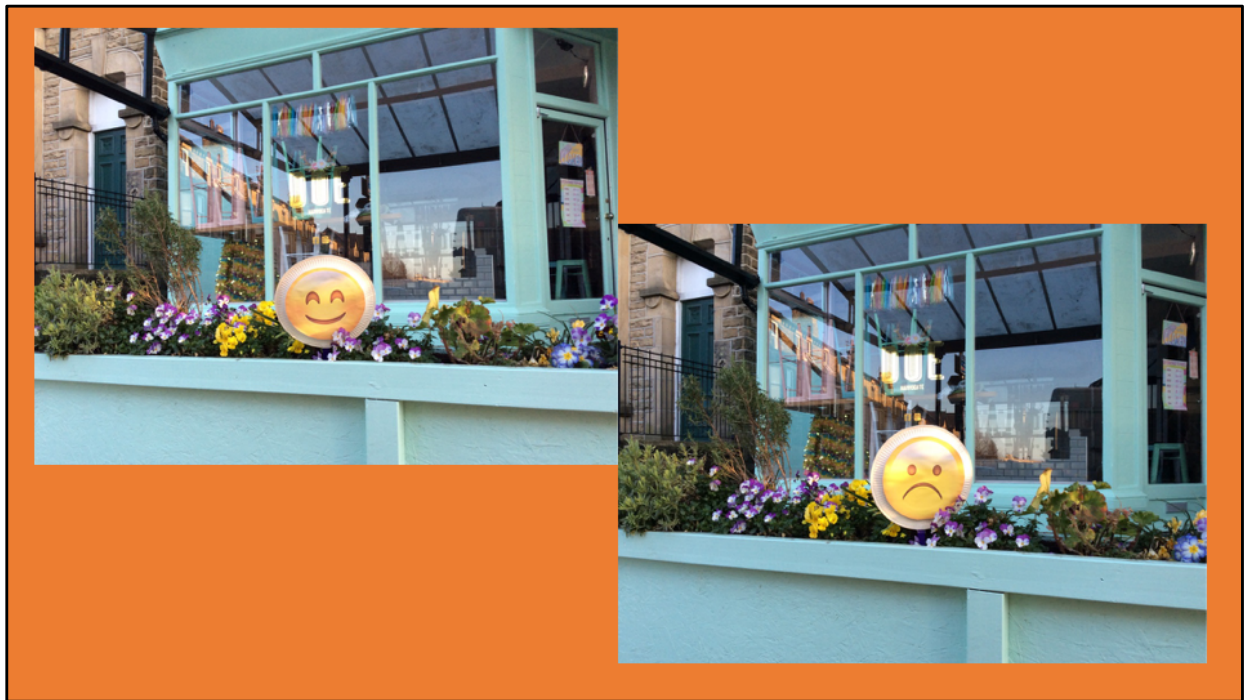
Do you think Jesus' friends were happy or sad to do all these things with their friend Jesus?

Point to which face you think shows how Jesus' friends were feeling to do all these things with Jesus



Yes, I think Jesus' friends were happy because they were able to do lots of things with Jesus.

But there were some people who did not like all the things Jesus was doing and saying. They were jealous of him and the fact that so many people liked Jesus.



How do you think that made Jesus feel – happy or sad?

Point to which face you think shows how Jesus was feeling now?



Yes, I think that would have made Jesus feel sad.

One night, when Jesus had gone out to pray, some soldiers came and got hold of him. They took him away, and later, Jesus was fastened to a cross and left to die. That meant Jesus' special friends couldn't be with Jesus any more. They couldn't talk with him or go to places with him; they couldn't eat with him or laugh with him.



**How do you think the disciples felt –
happy or sad?**

**Point to which face you think shows how
Jesus' friends were feeling now?**



Yes I think they were feeling very sad.

Even though Jesus was dead, some of his friends still wanted to look after him. So they gently put his body in a tomb and covered the entrance of the tomb. It was very peaceful and quiet in there.



How do you think Jesus' friends felt now?

Point to which face you think shows how Jesus' friends were feeling now?



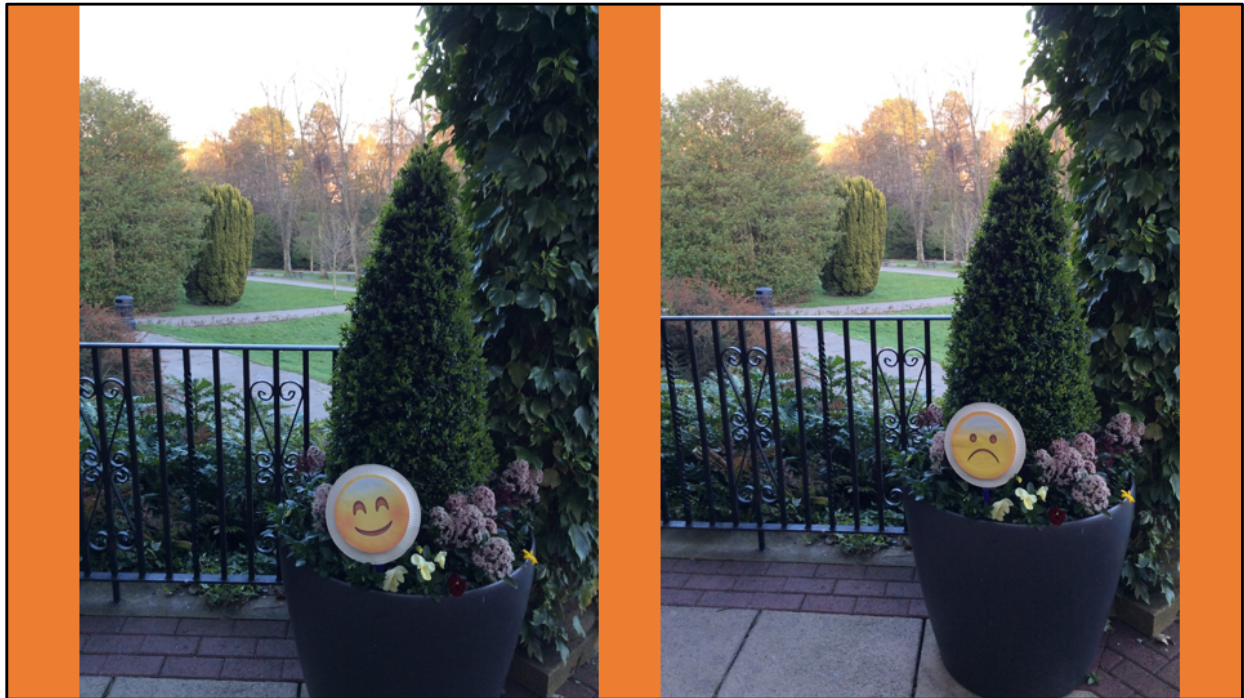
Well, that's a hard one but I think they would still have felt sad that their friend Jesus was no longer with them.

Then something amazing happened. We don't know how or when this happened but because Jesus was a very special, special man, God raised him from the dead. He gave him a new life, he was alive. But Jesus' special friends didn't know this yet – we know something that they didn't know at this point in the story.

A few days later Mary, one of Jesus' friends went to the tomb. You see, she still thought that Jesus was dead.

When she got there, she saw that the stone to the entrance of the tomb had been moved away and she

didn't know what had happened to Jesus' body



**How do you think Mary felt when she didn't know
where Jesus was?**

Point to the picture which shows how Mary was
feeling when she didn't know where Jesus was?
Happy or sad?



Yes, I think she would still have been feeling very sad.

As Mary bent over the tomb, she saw two angels. They asked her why she was sad and crying ‘ because they have taken Jesus’ body away and I don’t know where they have put him’. Then Mary turned round and saw someone standing nearby. Mary thought it was the gardener. So she asked him if he knew where Jesus’ body was so she could go and get him.

The man just said ‘Mary’. He called her by her name and straight away, Mary knew it was Jesus.



How do you think Mary felt now that she knew Jesus was alive and back with her and his other special friends? Happy or sad?

Point to the picture which shows how Mary was feeling when she didn't know where Jesus was? Happy or sad?



Yes, I think she would have felt happy, very happy!

Mary wanted to hug Jesus because she was so happy but Jesus told her to go and tell his other special friends that God had given him new life and he was alive. So that is what Mary did – she went and told all Jesus' other special friends that he was alive.



And how do you think they felt – happy or sad?

Point to the picture which shows how Mary was feeling when she didn't know where Jesus was?

Happy or sad?



Yes, they would have been happy – very very very happy!

So how did the Easter story start off – with a happy face or a sad face? Happy face.

There were some parts of the story where we had our sad faces.

But how does the story end when Jesus was alive – with a happy or sad face?

Happy.



You sometimes we feel sad - we are sad at the moment because we can't meet with our friends and families at Easter, we can't go to church.



But we are happy because of the Easter story which reminds us that Jesus is alive and always with us, whether we feel happy or sad.

And Jesus being with us all the time should make all of us very happy