

## Easter Activities

**How Many?** Fill a glass jar with jelly beans. Be sure to count them as you are adding them to the jar. Give residents a slip of paper and have them write down their guess of how many are in the jar. Best guess wins the jar.



**Easter Pictionary** Get a large chalkboard (or whiteboard) and separate residents into groups. One member of a group is handed a piece of paper with an Easter symbol or phrase, and must silently draw it on the chalkboard for his or her team to guess before time is up. Suggestions for words are carrot, bunny, marshmallow peep, daffodil, basket, etc.



**Mystery Eggs** Have each resident hide a small item inside a plastic egg and write three clues for the item. Have residents try to “crack” each other’s mystery.



**Hatch Baby Chicks** Some of your residents may have grown up on a farm. They might enjoy revisiting raising farm animals. Raise baby chickens by incubating eggs at your community. If you have space, the grown chickens can be moved to an outdoor coop. [Hatch Chicken Eggs](#)



**Resurrection Garden** For many the true meaning of Easter is the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Have residents create mini resurrection gardens for themselves or for common areas. [Resurrection Garden](#)





**Host an Egg Hunt** Invite young visitors to your community for an egg hunt. The residents can be responsible for hiding the eggs either indoors or out. The eggs can be plastic eggs filled with treats or real dyed eggs.

**Easter Parade** Give everyone a straw hat or cap. Encourage them to be creative and use decorations—ribbons, flowers, buttons, or bows—to create a unique Easter bonnet. When all bonnets are complete, the participants can walk in a parade to show off their Easter hats.

\*Optional--have judges pick winners in a variety of categories, such as prettiest, tallest, most original, and so on.



## Matching Game

### Materials:

Egg-shaped construction paper cutouts  
Black Marker



### Directions:

Write each player's name on the paper eggs, one letter per egg. Hide the eggs around the room. Players need to find the eggs that spell their own name.

**Egg Hunt** Purchase plastic Easter eggs and put numbers in them. Each number should correspond to a prize. Hide the plastic eggs. When the eggs are found the players may claim their prizes.



**Barnyard** Create cards with animals' names written on them (3 for each animal).



Give each player a card with the name of an animal. They are not to tell anyone what animal they have. At "Go," the players make the noise of their animal and try to find the other players with the same animal.

**Broken Egg Riddles** Cut construction paper eggs in half. Write the first half of riddles on one side of eggs. Write the answers on the second half of the eggs. Players go around and ask the riddle and the second player will give the answer. If the answers are correct, the two players who are matched up then sit down. Game is over when all players have matched up the riddle to the answer.

## Egg Roll

### Materials:

Chalk or tape  
Hard-boiled eggs



### Directions:

Mark the table or floor with chalk (or tape) with 4 circles, one inside the other, in the shape of a target. Mark the smallest circle with a 10, the next largest with a 5, the next with a 3, and the largest circle with a 1.

The object of the game is for each player to roll five eggs, one at a time, toward the target. If the egg lands in the middle circle the player scores 10, and so on. Tally the scores. The player with the most points wins.

**Egg Bowling** This game is played similarly to bocce. It can be played indoors or out. Each player uses a colored, boiled egg. A chocolate bunny is used as the target. Players compete to see who can roll their egg closest to the bunny without touching it. The first person to win a certain number of rounds--usually five or ten--wins the game.



## Pin the Egg in the Basket

### Materials:

Poster of large bunny with basket (purchased or drawn)  
Paper eggs in different colors Tape



**Directions:**

Tape the bunny picture securely to the wall. Blindfold the players one at a time, and give each an egg with tape on the back. Players attempt to place the egg in the bunny's basket.

**Easter Cupcake Walk****Materials:**

Cupcake for each player  
Numbers taped to the floor  
Easter basket to hold number call cards  
Music

**Directions:**

When the music starts, the players begin to walk around the room stepping on each of the numbers as they go. When the music stops, the players should step on the number closest to them. A number is pulled from the Easter basket and the person standing on that number gets to choose a cupcake and sit down. That number is then removed from the floor and the bag. Continue until every player has a cupcake.



**Egg Science** Can a hard-boiled egg fit in a bottle? With just a few household items, you can squeeze an egg right through the mouth of a bottle. It's also a great way to illustrate the power of air pressure. Try the [Egg in a bottle](#).