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Eggciting Easter Puns



A **pun** is a humorous play on words in which the word's meaning, or the way the word sounds, is used to create a joke.

Example: Eggs love Easter in spring because in the summer they would simply fry.

- A. Word used for the pun: fry.
- B. First meaning: The summer heat will fry eggs.
- C. Second meaning: To fry eggs on a pan.
- D. What makes it a pun? They use the word fry to hint at eggs frying, while really talking about summer being so hot.

Directions: Read the pun and analyze the meaning. Then, record the information below.

1. The Easter egg hunt is actually a cleverly disguised way to give the kids their annual dose of eggs-ercise.

- A. Word used for the pun: Eggs-ercise.
- B. First meaning of the word: Exercise is when people work out.
- C. Second meaning of the word: Eggercise is replacing ex with eggs.
- D. What makes it a pun? This is a pun because it replaced ex with eggs to make it relate to Easter.

2. In order for an Easter egg to show its true colors, it has to come out of its shell.

- A. Words used for the pun: Come out of its shell.
- B. First meaning of the word: "Come out of its shell" is an idiom to describe someone being open and themselves, while it relates to an egg because eggs have shells on the outside.
- C. Second meaning of the word: "True colors" is an idiom for showing who you really are. Eggs are colored with dye during Easter.
- D. What makes it a pun? This is a pun because it uses the idiom "come out of his shell" to connect to eggs having shells. It uses "true colors" to relate to people being themselves, and to dying eggs.

3. In his dream, the Easter bunny lived hoppily ever after.

- A. Words used for the pun: Hoppily ever after or happily ever after.
- B. First meaning of the word: Hoppily a made up word for happily that adds hop.
- C. Second meaning of the word: Happily ever after is a phrase from fairy tales meaning they will be happy forever.
- D. What makes it a pun? It's a pun because happily is changed to hoppily to suggest the bunny is hopping into it's ever after.

Write it! Create your own Easter pun! Circle your word used for the pun.

Answers will vary.

