E N G L I S H C O R N E R M E N U

*Learning English Through Discussion*

***A Life Changing Event…….***

**The Easter festival has finished….or has it ? This week we will look at what happened after Easter and how that one event changed peoples’ lives forever…….**

**Hot Topics**

1. How have you changed since coming to Australia?

a. the food I eat….

b. the amount of sleep I have…..

c. the type of unit/house I live in…..

d. the type of friends I have……

e. the view of the world I have …….

2. Talk to your partner about one event in your life that changed you….. and how it has changed you….For example: moving to another country, breaking up with a boy/girl friend, a family crisis, getting a good or bad score in a test ….other….

***The Easter Story continued…..***

**1. Review**. Put in order the Easter events.

Number 1(first event) to 7 (the last event).

Jesus teaches and does many miracles

Jesus is arrested

Jesus is whipped

Jesus appears to his disciples

Jesus is crucified

Jesus dies

Jesus is resurrected (comes back to life)

**Introduction**

After Jesus died, he showed himself to his friends. They were amazed to see him alive again. What happened next in the Easter story changed the disciples’ lives and history! Now read what is recorded in the bible in the book of Acts.

You will need a **N*arrator***, ***Jesus***, ***Angel and Disciples (the rest of the group)***.

**The Reading** *(Acts 1:4-11)*

**Narrator:** For forty days after Jesus’ death, Jesus appeared to his disciples many times in ways that proved that he was alive. And when his disciples came together, Jesus gave them this order:

**Jesus**: Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift I told you about, the gift my Father God promised. John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit

**Jesus**: The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and give you power. Then you will tell everyone about me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and everywhere in the world.

**Narrator**: After Jesus had said this and while they were still watching, Jesus was taken up to heaven as they watched him, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were still watching when suddenly two men dressed in white suddenly stood beside them and said:

**Angel**: Why are you standing there looking up at the sky? Jesus has been taken to heaven. But he will come back in the same way that you saw him go to heaven.

**Narrator**: The disciples received the Holy Spirit from Jesus and their lives changed. They went everywhere telling people the Good News about Jesus. Today the Easter event is still remembered and lived out in the lives of the followers of Jesus.

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**Interviews**

**The Narrator** will now interview the people in the story.

**To Jesus**: What gift were you going to give the disciples? How would this help them in the future?

**To the disciples**: How have your lives changed? How do you feel about telling people in Judea, Samaria and everywhere in the world about Jesus?

**Angels**: When will Jesus come back? Do you know?

**Discussion**

1. *In threes discuss*: How has your Easter in Australia been different this year? What new things have you learnt about the meaning of Easter….?

**Vocabulary:**

**Crucified:** death penalty by being nailed to a cross.

**Resurrection:** coming alive again

**Disciples**: followers of Jesus

**Baptised:** a symbol that someone believes in God

**Holy Spirit**: God’s Spirit sent to live in a believer’s life to help them. Given to someone when they believe in Jesus.

**Kingdom**: a place that belongs to a King. The disciples thought that Jesus would rescue them from the Romans and give the ‘kingdom’, the land back to Israel. However, Jesus was giving them God’s kingdom! A place in heaven, with Jesus as their King.