

CELEBRATE EASTER!

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Celebrate Easter!

An Easter PowerPoint Show

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CAST OF CHARACTERS

Emma

Evan

Mom

Sarah (Teenage girl)

Preschooler #1

Preschooler #2

Preschooler #3

Preschool Teacher

Mrs. Johnson

Justin (College-age boy)

Pastor Mike

Church Member #1

Church Member #2

Child #1

Child #2

Child #3

Child #4

Child #5

Choir Director

Mr. Jones

Mrs. Connors

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PRODUCTION NOTES

No memorization is needed for this PowerPoint presentation. No one will forget his lines or suffer from stage fright! The digital photos described here may be taken ahead of time and projected on a screen or wall during the presentation. As the photos are being shown, those with speaking parts read their lines from a hidden area for a voiceover effect.

For the most part, the costuming should be casual. Specific items you will need are an apron for Mom, jackets for Emma and Evan, and stylish clothes for Sarah.

The locations needed for the photographs are:

The kitchen of a home
 Outside the front door of the home
 Neighborhood sidewalk
 Driveway with car
 A park or yard
 Parking lot of a shopping center
 Inside a store
 The church
 Pastor's office
 Church sanctuary or choir room
 Church kitchen or fellowship hall
 Cemetery

The props required for the photographs are as follows:

Chocolate Easter bunny
 Stuffed rabbit
 Easter hat
 Bag of jellybeans
 Marshmallow chicks
 Calendar
 Pot
 Spoon
 Plastic Easter eggs (The type that pull apart)
 Chocolate candy
 Easter basket
 Baskets filled with groceries
 Two potted plants

PHOTOGRAPH DESCRIPTIONS

The following photos may be taken weeks, or even months, in advance of the performance.

PHOTO #1:

Site: Kitchen of a home.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN look excited, with arms raised and mouths open.

PHOTO #2

Site: Same as above.

Props: Chocolate Easter bunny.

Action: EVAN holds up a chocolate bunny.

PHOTO #3

Site: Same as above.

Props: Stuffed rabbit.

Action: EMMA holds a stuffed rabbit.

PHOTO #4

Site: Same as above.

Props: Bag of jellybeans.

Action: EVAN holds up a bag of jellybeans.

PHOTO #5

Site: Same as above.

Props: Straw hat.

Action: Close-up of EMMA smiling and wearing a straw hat.

PHOTO #6

Site: Same as above.

Props: Package of marshmallow chicks.

Action: EVAN holds up marshmallow chicks.

PHOTO #7

Site: Same as above.

Props: A calendar, with dates of spring break circled.

Action: EMMA holds up the calendar.

PHOTO #8

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: EVAN and EMMA look excited, with arms raised and mouths open.

PHOTO #9

Site: Same as above.

Props: Pot, spoon.

Costumes: Apron.

Action: MOM wears an apron. She stirs a pot at the stove. She looks harried, with EMMA and EVAN pulling at her apron.

PHOTO #10

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN throw themselves against a wall.

PHOTO #11

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN look excited, with arms raised and mouths open.

PHOTO #12

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: MOM, with hands on hips, confronts EMMA and EVAN.

PHOTO #13

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Costumes: Two jackets.

Action: MOM hands EMMA and EVAN their jackets.

PHOTO #14

Site: Outside the front door.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN stand outside the front door wearing their jackets. MOM stands inside the house, looking out.

PHOTO #15

Site: In the neighborhood.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN walk down the sidewalk.

PHOTO #16

Site: A driveway with a car.

Props: None.

Costumes: Stylish clothes for Sarah.

Action: SARAH gets into the car.

PHOTO #17

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: SARAH talks to EMMA and EVAN. She smiles, striking a “fashion model” pose.

PHOTO #18

Site: The park.

Props: Easter eggs.

Action: EVAN is pointing to a group of PRESCHOOLERS in the distance. They are hunting for Easter eggs.

PHOTO #19

Site: Same as above.

Props: Three Easter eggs.

Action: PRESCHOOLER #1 holds three Easter eggs.

PHOTO #20

Site: Same as above.

Props: Four Easter eggs.

Action: PRESCHOOLER #2 holds four Easter eggs.

PHOTO #21

Site: Same as above.

Props: One Easter egg, piece of chocolate candy.

Action: PRESCHOOLER #3 holds an opened egg. He has chocolate smeared on his face.

PHOTO #22

Site: Same as above.

Props: Easter eggs.

Action: PRESCHOOL TEACHER with PRESCHOOLERS (any number) talks to EMMA. EVAN gathers plastic eggs from the ground.

PHOTO #23

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: EVAN is on the ground with excited PRESCHOOLERS tumbling on top of him.

PHOTO #24

Site: Shopping center parking lot.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN look at all the cars.

PHOTO #25

Site: Inside the store.

Props: Shopping cart.

Action: EVAN bumps into MRS. JOHNSON's shopping cart while EMMA looks on.

PHOTO #26

Site: Same as above.

Props: Easter basket.

Action: MRS. JOHNSON holds up an Easter basket, pointing to it as if advertising.

PHOTO #27

Site: Outside the door of the store.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA pulls EVAN out of the store.

PHOTO #28

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: JUSTIN, looking "cool," talks to EMMA and EVAN.

PHOTO #29

Site: Parking lot.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN face each other.

PHOTO #30

Site: The church.

Props: None.

Action: Outside shot of the church building.

PHOTO #31

Site: Pastor's office.

Props: None.

Action: PASTOR MIKE sits at his desk. EMMA and EVAN are in front of the desk.

PHOTO #32

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: CHURCH MEMBER #1 grabs one of PASTOR MIKE's shoulders. CHURCH MEMBER #2 grabs the other one.

PHOTO #33

Site: Church Hallway.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN face each other, talking.

PHOTO #34

Site: Church sanctuary or choir room.

Props: None.

Action: Group shot of Children's Choir.

PHOTO #35

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: Close-up of CHILD #1.

PHOTO #36

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: Close-up of CHILD #2.

PHOTO #37

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: Close-up of CHILD #3.

PHOTO #38

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: Close-up of CHILD #4.

PHOTO #39

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: Close-up of CHILD #5.

PHOTO #40

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: Close-up of CHOIR DIRECTOR with one hand at her throat and the other uplifted. She opens her mouth, as if singing.

PHOTO #41

Site: Church kitchen or fellowship hall.

Props: Food items, baskets.

Action: EMMA and EVAN look at a table filled with many baskets. Some MEN place food in the baskets.

PHOTO #42

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: EVAN has his hands inside a basket. MR. JONES stands by with hands on hips.

PHOTO #43

Site: Outside the church door.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA pulls EVAN outside.

PHOTO #44

Site: Same as above.

Props: Two potted plants.

Action: MRS. CONNORS stands at a slight distance holding two plants.

PHOTO #45

Site: Cemetery.

Props: Two potted plants.

Action: MRS. CONNORS points at a gravestone. EMMA and EVAN each place a plant where MRS. CONNORS points.

PHOTO #46

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: Close-up of MRS. CONNORS.

PHOTO #47

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN face each other with arms up, excited.

PHOTO #48

Site: Same as above.

Props: None.

Action: EMMA and EVAN smile and wave good-bye.

Additional photos of church families and activities may be shown while a hymn is sung.

The Presentation

- 1
- 2
- 3 *(The POWERPOINT OPERATOR projects the proper photos*
- 4 *at the places indicated in the script as the CAST reads their*
- 5 *parts from a microphone Off-stage. Photo #1 is displayed.)*
- 6 **EMMA and EVAN: (Together) We're excited about Easter!**
- 7 **EVAN: (Photo #2) Easter candy!**
- 8 **EMMA: (Photo #3) The Easter bunny!**
- 9 **EVAN: (Photo #4) Easter candy!**
- 10 **EMMA: (Photo #5) Easter hats!**
- 11 **EVAN: (Photo #6) Easter candy!**
- 12 **EMMA: (Photo #7) Spring break! (Photo #8)**
- 13 **EMMA and EVAN: (Together) We're excited about Easter!**
- 14 **MOM: (Photo #9) I know! I know! You two are so excited,**
- 15 **you're bouncing off the walls!**
- 16 **EMMA: Bouncing off the walls?**
- 17 **EVAN: Sounds like fun! (Photo #10)**
- 18 **MOM: Now stop that, you two!**
- 19 **EMMA: But we can't help it!**
- 20 **EVAN: We can't help it because ... (Photo #11)**
- 21 **EMMA and EVAN: (Together) We're excited about Easter!**
- 22 **MOM: (Photo #12) You're excited, all right! But I don't think**
- 23 **you're excited for the right reason.**
- 24 **EMMA: What do you mean?**
- 25 **MOM: I mean, you two should try to figure out just why**
- 26 **Easter is so important.**
- 27 **EVAN: How do we do that?**
- 28 **MOM: (Photo #13) Put on your jackets and take a little walk.**
- 29 **Maybe if you get out of my way — I mean, get out of**
- 30 **the house for a while, you can do some thinking about**
- 31 **why Easter's really worth getting excited about!**
- 32 **EMMA: (Photo #14) OK! Let's go!**
- 33 **MOM: And when you come back, let me know what you've**
- 34 **discovered.**
- 35 **EVAN: (Photo #15) Well, we're outside. What do we do now?**

1 **EMMA:** We could walk around the neighborhood until we
2 meet someone.

3 **EVAN:** Hmmm. Then we could ask them why they're excited
4 about Easter! *(Photo #16)*

5 **EMMA:** Look! There's Sarah. It looks like she's getting
6 ready to go somewhere.

7 **EVAN:** Stop, Sarah! We want to talk to you!

8 **SARAH:** Hi, guys! What do you want?

9 **EMMA:** We just want to ask you, are you excited about
10 Easter?

11 **SARAH:** *(Photo #17)* You couldn't possibly believe how
12 excited I am! I'm on my way to the mall to buy an
13 Easter outfit — dress, shoes, purse, everything! There
14 are some great sales, and by the way, _____
15 *(Insert current trendy color)* is the "in" color this year!

16 **EMMA:** That's exciting!

17 **EVAN:** That's disgusting! Shopping's not my idea of
18 excitement.

19 **EMMA:** 'Bye, Sarah! I suppose we'll keep walking.

20 **EVAN:** *(Photo #18)* Something's going on over at the park.
21 Let's take a look.

22 **PRESCHOOLER #1:** *(Photo #19)* I found three eggs!

23 **PRESCHOOLER #2:** *(Photo #20)* I found four!

24 **PRESCHOOLER #3:** *(Photo #21)* I found what's inside!
25 Candy!

26 **PRESCHOOL TEACHER:** *(Photo #22)* Look, children! We
27 have some visitors. Would you like to join us in our
28 Easter egg hunt?

29 **EMMA:** Thank you, but I think we're a little too old for ...
30 Evan!

31 **EVAN:** I'm just helping the little kids! Hey, kids, are you
32 excited about Easter? *(Photo #23)*

33 **PRESCHOOLERS:** *(Ad lib, chanting)* Easter! Easter! Easter!

34 **EMMA:** Maybe they're a little too excited. We'd better go,
35 Evan!



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