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Hello friends,
Spring is here. Dandelions and daisies are in bloom, birds are singing in the morning and everybody longs for love. Girls are colouring eggs and boys are looking for willow twigs because Easter is coming. So enjoy this nice time!

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Easter in England

Easter is one of the great Christian festivals of the year. It is full of customs, folklore and traditional food. But Easter in Britain began long before Christianity. Many theologians think that Easter is named after the Anglo-Saxon goddess of the dawn and spring - Eostre.

Easter is at a different time each year. It happens on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the first day of spring in the Northern Hemisphere.

Easter is often associated with eating lots of chocolate. About a month before the Easter period, shops start selling Easter egg. On Easter Sunday people give these chocolate Easter eggs as presents. People also decorate Easter eggs and parents tell their children that the Easter rabbit brings the eggs and hides them in the garden. The kids then have to run around the garden with baskets looking for these eggs. The one who finds the most is the winner (this is called Egg Hunt).



Easter in the Czech Republic

Easter is the most important Christian holiday, held in April.

In the Christian concept Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

At Easter the Jews remember the deliverance of the Israelites from Egyptian slavery.

These holidays coincide with the celebrations of the arrival of spring.

There are a lot of customs connected to Easter.

Easter - is derived from the big night when Christ rose from the dead

Ugly Wednesday - the day that people should not frown, because then every Wednesday could be cloudy

Maundy Thursday - On this day people should eat green food (spinach, cabbage, etc.) in order to be healthy for the whole year.

Good Friday - is associated with magical powers, mountains that reveal its treasures, and this day it is not allowed to borrow anything, because the borrowed thing could enchant you.

Rattle - rattle sound to replace the bells

Easter Sunday - the day the Pope will speak a message and the blessing: Urbi et Orbi (to the town and the world).

Other symbols:

- lamb, cross, fire, whip, egg, candle, bunny

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On Easter Monday morning, men and boys visit houses and whip women and girls with Easter sticks or whips made from twigs. The whips have braided handles and are decorated with colorful ribbons. According to the tradition, men say Easter carols.

The whip is a symbol of men's attraction to women. Unvisited girls may even feel disappointed. A woman gives a man a colored egg (Easter egg) as a symbol of her gratitude and forgiveness. A legend says that girls have to be whipped at Easter to stay healthy for the whole year and retain fertility. Women can splash at men and boys cold water from buckets, but only in the afternoon.



Jani

Music

Evanescence in studio

American rock band Evanescence is working on a new album. The last album was released in 2006 and was called *The Open Door*, so now it is 5 years since they released an album. Even the style of the new album is still a question, singer Amy Lee said that she started to like electronic music a lot in the past few seasons. The band will go to a studio on 11. April and the album will be produced by producer Nick Raskulinecz who worked in the last time with bands like Stone Sour, Rush or Alice in Chains.



Scott Columbus died

On 4 April at the age of 54 years died an ex-drummer of a famous American heavy metal band Manowar. He was in the band from 1983 to 2008 and now he was planning his solo album. His death was confirmed by his girlfriend on a Facebook profile and then by an ex-guitarist of Manowar, Ross Friedman. The cause of the death is still not known.



Sonsisphere festival, Milovice airport, 11. June 2011

For the second time in history the Sonsisphere festival is coming to the Czech Republic. This year the headline band will be legendary UK heavy metal band Iron Maiden. Other bands will be for example KoRn, Cavalera Conspiracy, Mastodon, In Flames or a mous horror punk band Misfits. You can buy tickets on www.ticketpro.cz. The price of the tickets is:



Standing: 1395 Kč, Golden circle: 2725 Kč, VIP: 3975 Kč

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The world of movie

Battle: Los Angeles

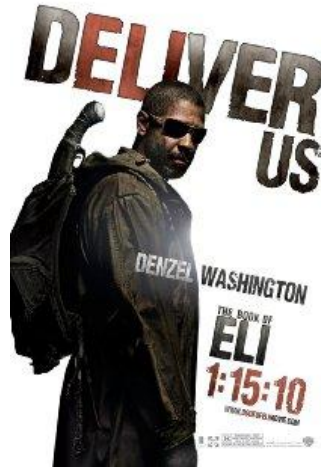
It's about Los Angeles and many other cities around the world which are being bombed by meteorites from the sky. The earth is suddenly being invaded by space aliens and they will kill everybody who will stand in their way. The whole army and military is ordered into action. There is a retired Marine Sergeant Nantz (Aaron Eckhart) who must



help a new group of soldiers. This group flies to the operating base at Santa Monica's Airport, and gets a new leader 2nd Lt. Martinez (Ramon Rodriguez). They are sent on a mission to rescue some civilians who are trapped and in danger at the police station inside the aliens' territory. Time isn't their friend. They have only 3 hours to get out because the Air force is ready for a bomb attack. Watch the movie if you are a sci-fi fan! 😊

The Book of Eli

This movie is situated in a wild post-apocalyptic society. The general hero named Eli (Denzel Washington) is a drifter. He has been wandering westward across North America for the last thirty years. He finds solace in a unique book which he carries with himself and guards closely. He is surviving by hunting small



animals and looking for something useful in destroyed houses and vehicles to trade in villages for water and supplies. He reaches a village ruled by the powerful gangster 'Carnegie', who is looking for the holy book which Eli has. He is an impressive fighter and he offers Eli a place in his gang. Carnegie wants to discover something about Eli by using Solara (nice young girl in a local pub) to spend the night by sleeping with him. But Eli proves that he is a gentleman when he gently declines her offer. The girl will see Eli's book, and when Carnegie finds out that Eli has the book, he wants to get it. Carnegie sends his gang into the wasteland to take the book from Eli but if they want the book, they must first take Eli's life. Watch the movie a you will see! 😊

Miša

April horoscope 2011



(Nov. 22 – Dec. 21)

At the beginning of the month you can buy a ticket (bet) and you will certainly win. Your love will be really good in this month and your children will surprise you with something.



(Dec. 22- Jan. 20)

The New Moon can represent a crisis in confidence because of challenges from events or from other people, most often from men or bosses, teachers etc. This is not a favourable time for getting your way, not if you don't want to upset others and cause stress to yourself and add extra tension to important relationships.



(Jan. 21 -Feb. 19)

In April it increases your self-confidence and energy level and also your magnetic attractiveness to others. The attractive energy you radiate at this time means that sexual relations with a love partner are most rewarding. A good time for work and play.

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(Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

An excellent time for giving and receiving love and affection, spending time with loved ones and socializing with friends. It should be a good time financially. Spend some money on yourself, buying clothes or jewellery. Relationships should go well because of your attractive energy.



(Mar. 21- Apr. 20)

This month is about a new start for the year ahead and new beginnings. You can expect an energy and increased vitality. You are much more self-assertive than usual and this could cause arguments or conflicts with others. A good time for meetings, going for coffee, and visiting friends.



(Apr. 21- May 21)

You have opportunities with love and money. You feel energetic about expressing love and affection. People appreciate your friendly attitude and

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pleasantness. Because of this attractive energy you express, you may well attract a new love, gifts and favors.

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(May 22-June 21)

You feel good about yourself and are confident and proud. A good time for work and play. An ideal time to write down your thoughts in a diary or on the internet, renew old friendships, or send off your resume. A good time to push ahead in business.



(June 21 – July 22)

At the beginning of the month it will be very good. You will do everything well at work, school and in friendship. Your love life will improve.



(July 23 – Aug. 22)

If you have some problem you can turn it on your side. In the middle of the month you may get some interesting offer and it's good time to accept it.

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(Aug. 23- Sep. 22)

Meeting with relatives can really surprise you. In the middle of this month you can think about loan, so take it because it will go well.



(Sep. 23 – Oct. 22)

At the beginning of the month you can obtain good relationship at work. It can change your life. At the end of the month your love won't be good.



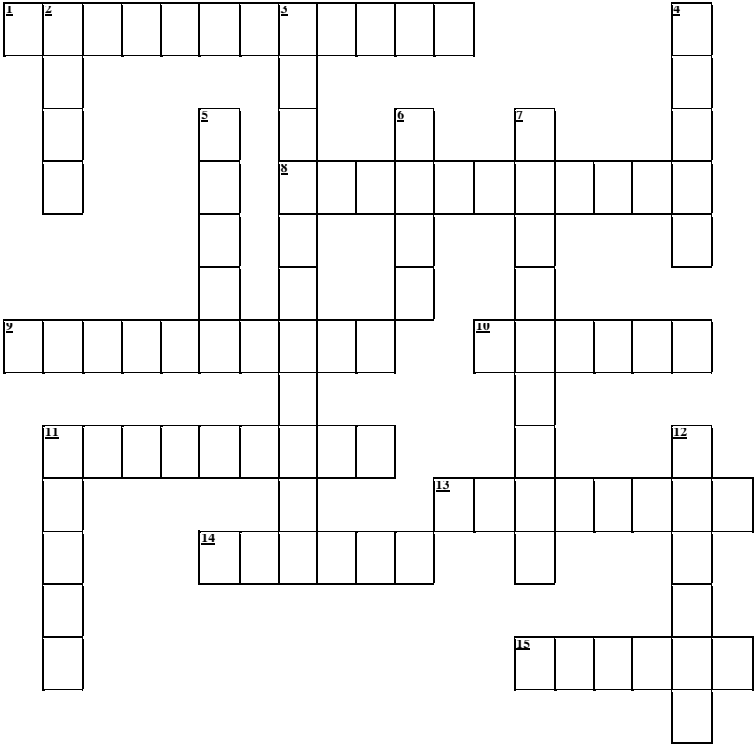
(Oct. 23 – Nov. 21)

People at your work will work less than you and you will think that they are not from this earth. In the middle of the month you may get bigger income.

Janča a Pavli

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Crossword



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Across:

1. When something that had died or ended is brought back.
8. A special social event.
9. A line of people who are all walking or travelling in the same direction.
10. A type of hat that covers the ears and is tied under the chin.
11. Someone who believes in and follows the teachings of Jesus Christ.
13. A printed table showing all the days, weeks and months of the year.
14. The main day on which Easter is celebrated.
15. A Christian religious holiday to celebrate Jesus Christ's return to life after he was killed.

Down:

2. Oval objects, often with a hard shell, produced by female birds. Mine had better be made of chocolate though.
3. The death of Christ on a cross.
4. Another word for rabbit.
5. Long pointed leaves.
6. The 40 days before Easter.
7. A yellow bell-shaped flower with a long stem which is commonly seen in the spring.
11. The main symbol of Christianity.
12. A light, woven container, with a handle.

Marta

Easter dishes

Fancy bread

Ingredients:

500 g of plain flour

100 g of sugar

100 g of oil

2 yolks

40 g yeast

1/8 l of milk

salt

vanilla sugar

currants

almonds

lemon skin



Mix flour with sugar, vanilla sugar, lemon skin, salt, currants and almonds. Mix yolks in milk. Pour eggs into flour and put there fat baking and add yeast. Mix everything well. While the dough is smooth sprinkle it with flour and let it rise under a cloth and leave it on the plate. Cut the loaf crosswise. Spread bun with egg and put almonds on it. Bake it.

Denisa

Easter quiz

What do you get if you pour hot water down a rabbit hole?

(Hot cross bunnies!)

How does the Easter Bunny stay fit?

(EGG-xercise and HARE-robics!)

What's the difference between a counterfeit dollar bill and a crazy rabbit?

(One is bad money, the other is a mad bunny!)

How did the Easter Bunny rate the Easter parade?

(He said it was eggs-cellent!)

How do you catch the Easter Bunny?

(Hide in a bush and make a noise like a carrot!)

What do you call a rabbit that tells good jokes?

(A funny bunny!)

How do you know carrots are good for your eyes?

(Have you ever seen a rabbit wearing glasses?)

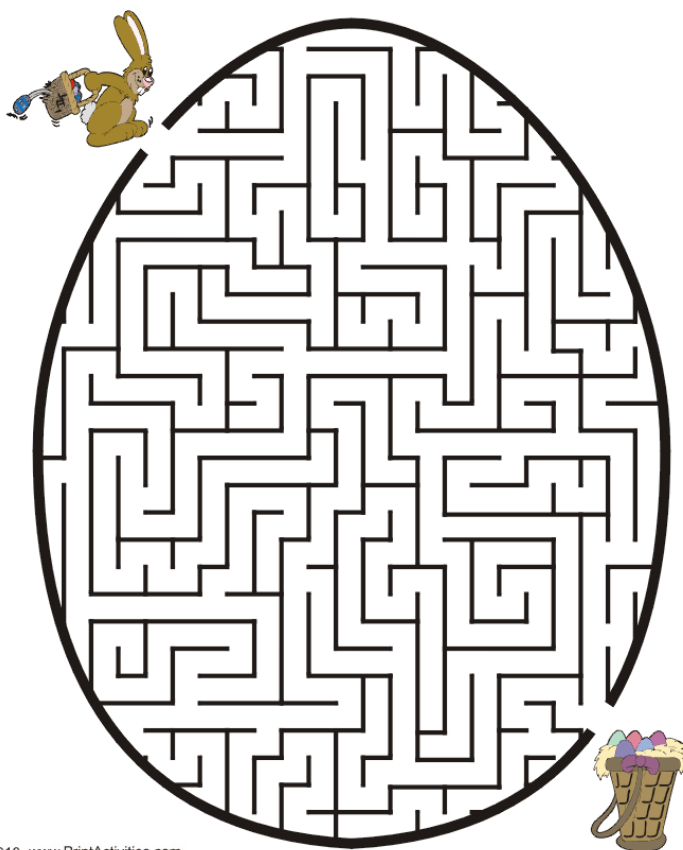
How did the soggy Easter Bunny dry himself?

(With a hare-dryer!)

Marcela

Labyrinth

Help the Easter bunny to find his basket!



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Crossword solution

Across:

- 1) RESURRECTION
- 8) CELEBRATION
- 9) PROCESSION
- 10) BONNET
- 11) CHRISTIAN
- 13) CALENDAR
- 14) SUNDAY
- 15) EASTER

Down:

- 2) EGGS
- 3) CRUCIFIXION
- 4) BUNNY
- 5) PALMS
- 6) LENT
- 7) DAFFODILS
- 11) CROSS
- 12) BASKET





„What a lucky break! Not only do we FIND the Easter bunny...
BUT we catch him right when he’s making chocolate mini-eggs!“