

## EASTER IN MÉXICO

Go to [http://www.mexconnect.com/mex\\_/feature/easterindex.html](http://www.mexconnect.com/mex_/feature/easterindex.html) to find the answers to these questions.

1. What do most Mexicans do during the two week period of Semana Santa?
2. What does Semana Santa celebrate?
3. What does Pascua celebrate?

Scroll down and click on *Pascua/Semana Santa: Easter Holy Week in Ajijic, Mexico Dale Hoyt Palfrey*. Answer the following questions:

4. What religion is the predominant one in Mexico?
5. What day begins Semana Santa?
6. What usually happens during the mass (church service) on this day?
7. What does the procession or parade before the mass represent?
8. On the Wednesday of Holy Week there is usually a service that commemorates what?
9. What is the Spanish name for Maundy-Thursdays (the Thursday before Easter)?
10. Many churches have a re-enactment of what on this day?
11. What is the Spanish name for Good Friday?
12. What happens on Good Friday?
13. What is the mass like on the Saturday before Easter?
14. What happens to the papier maché images of Judas Iscariot, the disciple who betrayed Jesus; the devil and other unpopular political figures after Saturday's mass?
15. What is attendance like at Easter Day masses?
16. What role does the Easter Bunny play in Mexico?
17. What happens at most government offices and banks during Holy Week?
18. If you wanted to take a trip to México, would you want to go during Semana Santa (Holy Week)? Why or why not?
19. What are at least 3 ways that Easter celebrations are the same in both the United States and México?
20. What are at least 3 ways that Easter celebrations are different in the United States and México?