

Right Left Easter Game

Two ways to play:

1. Players sit in a circle on chairs and move seats to the right when the word **RIGHT** is read out and left when the word **LEFT** is called. No winners and no losers just lots of noisy fun!
2. Players sit in a circle, on chairs or on the floor, and a prize is passed to the right when the word **RIGHT** is read out and left when the word **LEFT** is called. The winner is the person holding the prize at the end of the story.

The story:

There were only a few days **LEFT** until Passover and Jesus' followers were **LEFT** wondering where they would eat their Passover meal.

RIGHT at the same time the Jewish priests and other officials were looking for the **RIGHT** way of capturing Jesus and killing him. **RIGHT** then Judas, one of Jesus' disciples, went to the priests and said, "**RIGHT**, how much will you pay me to betray Jesus to you?" As he **LEFT** they gave him 30 silver coins and from then on Judas kept watching for the **RIGHT** time and the **RIGHT** place to betray Jesus to them.

On the first day of Passover Jesus told his disciples to go **RIGHT** in to the city and find a man with a water jug. He said, "tell him, our Master says, my time has come, and I will eat the Passover meal with my disciples at your house." **RIGHT** then the disciples **LEFT** Jesus and went **RIGHT** into the city to prepare the meal.

That evening **RIGHT** as the disciples were eating Jesus told them that one of them would betray him and hand him **RIGHT** over to the priests. This **LEFT** the disciples in a state of sadness and shock.

After their meal they went **RIGHT** to the Mount of Olives. There Jesus said to them, "tonight all of you will leave me," and Peter replied, "even if everyone **LEFT** I would never. I will be **RIGHT** by your side," yet Jesus told him that before the night was over, and the rooster crowed, he would deny knowing Jesus three times."

Jesus took his disciples to the garden of Gethsemane and **LEFT** them to pray for an hour. When he returned they had gone **RIGHT** to sleep. Jesus woke them and told them to stay awake. Again he **LEFT** them and went **RIGHT** to pray. Again the disciples fell asleep so Jesus **LEFT** them **RIGHT** there for a third time to pray.

RIGHT after the meal Judas had **LEFT** and gone **RIGHT** to the chief priests to tell them of his plan. "**RIGHT**," he said, "the one I kiss is the man to arrest," and with that he **LEFT**. When they arrived to where Jesus was with the disciples Judas went **RIGHT** up to him and kissed him. The soldiers arrested Jesus **RIGHT** there and **LEFT** with him **RIGHT** away.

Jesus was tried by the high priests who sent him **RIGHT** to the Roman Governor, Pilate. He didn't know what to do with Jesus either and sent him **RIGHT** to King Herod who sent him **RIGHT** back to Pilate as he didn't know what to do with him either.

Meanwhile, Peter was **LEFT** outside in the courtyard and was asked by a girl if he had been **RIGHT** at Jesus' side. Peter said he didn't know Jesus but the girl turned **RIGHT** around and told the other people who had gathered there that this man knew Jesus. Peter said, "I swear I don't know him," so the girl **LEFT**.

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Later on, for a third time people questioned Peter who again denied that he knew Jesus. **RIGHT** then the rooster crowed and **RIGHT** then Peter knew that Jesus was **RIGHT**, he had betrayed him three times.

Pilate asked the people if he should let Jesus go but they shouted for Barabbas, the priests has stirred up the crowd who shouted for Jesus to be crucified. Pilate washed his hands **RIGHT** there and released Barabbas. Jesus was **LEFT** to the soldiers who flogged him and **LEFT RIGHT** away to crucify him.

Jesus was stripped and a crown of thorns was placed **RIGHT** on his head. They dressed him in a red robe and places a staff in his **RIGHT** hand. He was nailed **RIGHT** to the cross and the soldiers divided up what was **LEFT** of his clothes. They crucified two robbers with Jesus, one on his **LEFT** and one on his **RIGHT**.

At noon the sun **LEFT** the sky. At three o'clock Jesus cried **RIGHT** out, "My God, My God, why have you **LEFT** me?" and then he died. A Roman centurion was standing **RIGHT** in front of Jesus and heard his cry. He said, "Surely, this man was the Son of God!"

As evening approached Joseph went **RIGHT** to Pilate to ask for Jesus' body to be **LEFT** for him to bury. Pilate gave permission and Joseph **LEFT** to get Jesus' body **RIGHT** from the cross. He and Nicodemus took Jesus' body and wrapped it in strips of cloth before placing his body **RIGHT** in a tomb nearby. They **LEFT** guards at the entrance to the tomb and rolled a stone **RIGHT** in front to stop Jesus' followers from stealing the body.

On Sunday morning, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome **LEFT** at sunrise and went **RIGHT** to the tomb. They discovered that it was empty; there was nothing **LEFT** there but strips of cloth. This **LEFT** them in shock. They went **RIGHT** in to the tomb and saw a man on the **RIGHT** dressed in white. He told them not to be afraid as Jesus had already **LEFT** the tomb. He told the women to go **RIGHT** to the other disciples and tell them what had happened.

The disciples didn't believe the women but Peter and John went **RIGHT** up to the tomb and found it empty. They **LEFT** believing that Jesus had risen.