

All About Spring



Spring is one of the four seasons. It is the season that comes after winter. Spring starts in March and ends in June. Spring is the season when we change our clocks forward one hour. We often have a mixture of sunny and rainy days.

What happens to the animals?

Animals such as hedgehogs, grass snakes, lizards, adders, frogs and toads come out of hibernation on the first warm spring days. You could see frogspawn, which looks like jelly.

Some animals move about a lot more in spring, such as squirrels. You can see squirrels running about, looking for food and climbing trees.

There are also lots of migrant birds that come back to the UK in the spring. You can see swifts, cuckoos and nightingales.



What happens to the plants and insects?



Nature is very busy in spring and there are lots of changes. You can see the trees and bushes grow new leaves again in spring and many plants flower, because the air and soil are warmer and there are more daylight hours.

Many more insects can be spotted in spring, including butterflies and bees, which like the flowers.

Which celebrations happen in spring?

Easter is a celebration that happens in spring. It started as a religious festival and now many people celebrate it with Easter chocolate eggs and a game or Easter egg hunt. Easter Sunday always falls between 22nd March and 25th April. It is not on a fixed date each year. Most schools also have a holiday around this time which lasts around two weeks.

Questions

1. When does spring begin? Tick one.

- March
 April
 January

2. Which animals move around more in spring? Tick one.

- adders
 lizards
 squirrels

3. Name two of the migrant birds that come back to the UK for spring.

4. Put ticks in the table to show which sentences are true and which sentences are false.

Sentence	True	False
Many plants flower in spring because there are more hours of daylight.		
The air and soil are wetter so it helps the plants grow.		
More insects can be seen during spring.		
Trees and bushes grow new leaves in spring.		

5. What can you see in spring that looks like jelly?
