

A close-up photograph of two decorated Easter eggs hanging from a dark, bare branch. The egg on the left is white with small yellow dots. The egg on the right is yellow with white floral patterns. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light color. Two solid orange rectangular shapes are positioned at the bottom left and bottom right of the image.

*EASTER IN BRITAIN AND
RUSSIA*



- *This tradition started in Europe in the early nineteenth century and came to Britain in the 1970s.*
- *Easter is now a Christian festival but the word “Easter” comes from “Eostre”, the old name for the goddess of spring.*



□ *Easter is the most important festival in the church year, more important than Christmas. People begin to get ready for Easter forty days before Easter Sunday. These forty days are called Lent, and they begin on Ash Wednesday. The day before Ash Wednesday is Pancake Day.*



WHEN IS EASTER CELEBRATED?

In Russia

- ▣ *Easter is usually celebrated in April or May.*

In Britain

Easter Day is on Sunday after the first full moon after the first day of spring(21 March). It comes always between 22 March and 25 April.



HOW DO PEOPLE CELEBRATE EASTER IN BRITAIN

- On Easter Sunday people congratulate each other, give presents to children in the streets: candies and toys.*
- Eggs exchange is compulsory .*



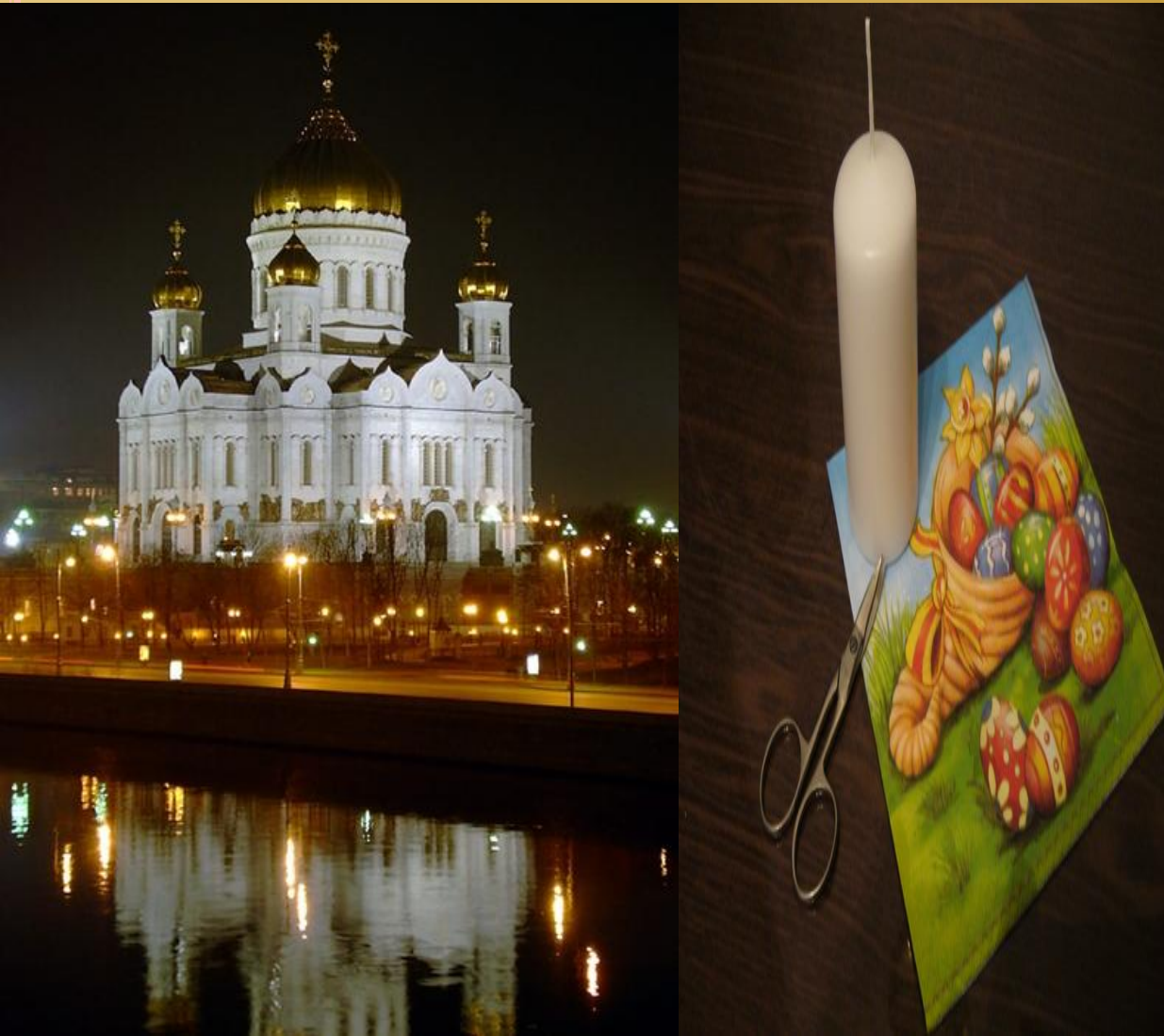
HOW DO PEOPLE CELEBRATE EASTER IN RUSSIA

On the day of Easter morning we go to church and take part in the service.

After that we visit our grandma and grandpa. When we arrive, we say: "Christ is Risen, and they respond to us" Truly resurrected".



HOW TO CELEBRATE EASTER?



During the celebration of Easter, we have to remember about life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Many people go to church on Easter Day: there are lots of flowers and people sing special Easter songs.

EASTER TRADITIONS

Traditions in Britain

- In Britain tables are decorated with an Easter basket with white lilies - the symbol of purity, motherhood and the return of Jesus to life, colored eggs and Easter bunny figures.*



Traditions in Russia

The day before Easter Russians bake cakes and color eggs, which symbolize the body of Christ. It is necessary to start the Easter dinner with a painted egg and a piece of a Easter cake in Russia.



EASTER EGGS HUNT IN BRITAIN



*Easter eggs hunt is traditional in Britain. Parents hide eggs everywhere in the house or garden and children have to find them. Also some women and children decorate hats, called Easter bonnets. **They put lots of spring flowers, rabbits, or chickens on them, and wear them in Easter bonnet parades.***

