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Easter Egg Hunt

An Easter party wouldn't be the same without an egg hunt. If you don't want to hide chocolate eggs around the room or garden, why not make your own? Using the egg templates provided print out and cut out the individual eggs. They can be coloured in and decorated with glitter and stickers. You will need to cut out at least enough for 10 eggs per friend. You can start making your eggs for your egg hunt well in advance of your party, the more eggs you have to find the more fun the egg hunt will be.

Before you start your egg hunt give all your friends a paper bag to collect their eggs in, during the Easter egg hunt. These bags can also be decorated in an Easter theme, maybe at the start of the party get your friends to decorate their own Easter bag.

Make some of your decorated eggs with a special design, so if a friend should find one of these, they can win a special prize.

Once all the eggs have been collected, collect all the bags up, ensuring to put your friends name on their bag. During the party count the number of eggs in each of the bags.

The bag with the highest number of eggs collected is the winner.

A small prize for the winner can be awarded at the end of the party.

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Easter Piñata

Why not have a go at making your very own Easter Egg piñata, it's a great way to end your party.

Inflate a large balloon, using small pieces of paper and glue cover the balloon with the paper being careful not to burst the balloon. Once you have completed the first layer you will need cover the balloon in about 5 more layers of paper. After the first two layers add a loop of string to the top of the balloon. Once the balloon is completely covered leave to dry. Once the balloon is completely dry and hard burst the balloon. The egg shape can then be painted and decorated to resemble a decorated Easter Egg.

A piñata has prizes or sweets inside, so once dry fill your piñata with some small wrapped sweets or unbreakable prizes. There should be a small hole where you popped the balloon. When you have filled your piñata with prizes stick some small pieces of paper over the hole and paint the same colour as the rest of the piñata.

To use the piñata tie two lengths of string to the loop on the piñata, then one can be either tied to a tree or something heavy, with the other piece of string held by an adult to steady the piñata.

You will also require a piñata stick and you can use a blind if you wish depending on the age of the children at the party.

Once you are ready to start get the children to stand in a line behind each far enough away from the piñata not to get in the way of the piñata when it is being hit. Ideally if you can put out a row of chairs for the children to stand behind. Get the children to take it in turns at having a go at hitting the piñata with the stick to try and break the piñata.

Once the piñata has been broken share the prizes out at the end of the party.