

INSTRUCTIONS FOR
"TWELVE POEMS THAT TELL THE EASTER STORY"

Supplies Needed:

Egg Carton for 12 medium to large eggs
12 medium-size plastic Easter eggs
Craft Paint
Paint Brush or Sponge
Scissors
Colored pencils, crayons, or fine-tip colored markers
Glue Stick

1. Paint the lid of a 12-egg carton with a bright color suitable for Easter. (Deeper colors are more likely to cover with one coat than pastels.) Allow paint to dry.
2. Cut out the design label for the top of the carton and the instruction label for the inside of the lid.
3. Color the flower and the letters of "Twelve Poems for Easter" with colors that are complementary to the color you painted the lid.
4. Using a glue stick, glue the design label on top of the lid. Glue the instruction label inside the lid, so that the lettering is right side up when you open the lid from the front.
5. Cut apart the copies of the poems.
6. Fold the poem for Day #1 in half four times, place it in an egg, and place the egg in the spot designated for that poem. Do the same for the rest of the poems, in order by Day #.

Eleven days before Easter, begin reading one poem each day. After you open an egg and read the poem inside, you may either put the egg back in the carton or place it in an Easter basket. If using an Easter basket, the number of eggs in the basket will grow each day until you have a dozen on Easter Sunday. After Easter is over for the year, you may put the egg carton away for another Easter season, with the poems inside the eggs in their proper order.