

The Easter Story Answers

These are the most probable answers, using evidence from the text. Other answers are acceptable if they are consistent with the text and are plausible.

1. What did Jesus feel about riding on a donkey?

Jesus might have been tired if he had walked a long way so he would be grateful not to walk any further. But he also says to his disciples that the prophets said he would ride into Jerusalem on a donkey so he wanted to make the prediction come true.

2. What did the disciples think about Jesus riding on a donkey?

The disciples might have felt that if Jesus was important then a donkey would not be a proper way to travel. Maybe they thought a horse or a cart would have been more appropriate.

3. Why did the crowds put cloaks and branches on the ground?

The crowds put cloaks and branches on the ground because the roads were dusty and may have been full of potholes. In respect for Jesus they wanted him to have a gentle journey into the city.

4. Why were the priests so cross about Jesus healing sick people?

The priests may have been jealous that Jesus was getting more attention than them. They also knew that Jesus was making sick people better when they couldn't and that must have made them feel cross.

5. Why did Jesus leave the city for the night if he had only just arrived?

If the priests were cross with Jesus, they may have wanted to put him in prison or harm him in some way. If Jesus went out of the city for a while, they may calm down and be less angry with him.