



Easter Eggs - value for money?

Below is a list of Easter eggs, their weights and their prices.

How can you work out which Easter egg is the best value for money?
(You may need to use a calculator).

Round your answer to the nearest 1p and write it next to the weight.

Type of egg	Price	Weight	
Dairy Milk Egg	£1.50	128 grams	
Nestle Rolo Gift Tin Egg	£4.00	160 grams	
After Eight Large Easter Egg	£4.00	234 grams	
Smarties Egg	£1.50	122 grams	

Which egg is the best value for money?

Below is a list of chocolates, their weights and their prices.

Work out which one is the best value for money.

Round your answer to the nearest 1p and write it next to the weight.

Type of chocolate	Price	Weight	
Dairy Milk chocolate bar	£3.50	360 grams	
Pack of 3 tubes of Nestle Rolos	£1.00	156 grams	
After Eight box	£2.00	300 grams	
3 tubes of Smarties (multibuy offer)	£1.20	114 grams	

Which bar is the best value for money?

Is a bar of chocolate better value than an Easter egg?

Why?

The Smarties egg was on offer at "Buy two get two free".

What is the cost per 100 grams if you go for this offer?

A Smarties Minis 18 Pack containing 260g costs £2.79

Is this better value than buying a pack of 3 tubes?



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Answers. Note: these were the prices in Tescos on 22nd Feb 2016.

How can you work out which Easter egg is the best value for money?

Divide the price by the weight in grams, then multiply by 100, to find the cost per 100 grams.

Type of egg	Price	Weight	Cost per 100g
Dairy Milk Egg	£1.50	128 grams	£1.17
Nestle Rolo Gift Tin Egg	£4.00	160 grams	£2.50
After Eight Large Easter Egg	£4.00	234 grams	£1.71
Smarties Egg	£1.50	122 grams	£1.23

Which egg is the best value?

The Dairy Milk egg has the lowest cost per 100 grams.

Now find the price of the same type of chocolate in an ordinary bar or packet. Write down the prices and the weights in the table below.

Type of chocolate	Price	Weight	Cost per 100g
Dairy Milk chocolate bar	£3.50	360 grams	£0.97
Pack of 3 tubes of Nestle Rolos	£1.00	156 grams	£0.64
After Eight box	£2.00	300 grams	£0.67
3 tubes of Smarties (multibuy offer)	£1.20	114 grams	£1.05

Which bar/box is the best value?

The pack of 3 tubes of Rolos has the lowest cost per 100 grams.

Is a bar of chocolate better value than an Easter egg? **Yes**

Why? **With an egg, you pay for the extra packaging.**

The Smarties egg was on offer at "Buy two get two free".

What is the cost per 100 grams if you go for this offer? **61p**

A Smarties Minis 18 Pack containing 260g costs £2.79

Is this better value than buying a pack of 3 tubes?

No, the price per 100g for the minis is £1.07, which is 2p more per 100g.

Festivals from different faiths and cultures



Easter is the most important Christian festival. It celebrates Jesus Christ's resurrection from the dead. The date of Easter changes each year as it is linked to the lunar calendar. Churches are filled with flowers, and there are special hymns and songs. Not all Easter customs are Christian; some, such as the Easter Bunny, are Pagan in origin.

Originally Easter was called Pascha after the Hebrew word for Passover, a Jewish festival that happens at this time of year. It was replaced by Easter, a word which is believed to have evolved from Eostre, the name of the Anglo-Saxon goddess of fertility and springtime.

Jews commemorate the exodus from Egypt and slavery in the spring.

Muslim festivals do not occur on a fixed date either - they are also linked to the lunar calendar. Spring is the time for Muslim pilgrimages to Mecca.

Spring is the season where the Sikh and Hindu religions celebrate the death of the winter demon.

Vaisakhi, also spelled Baisakhi, is the Sikh New Year festival. It will be celebrated on 13th April in 2012. It is a long established harvest festival in the Punjab.

Holi is the Hindu Festival of Colours, which marks the coming of the Spring. It was originally a festival of fertility and harvest. It will be celebrated on 8th March in 2012.

Most Buddhists, with the exception of the Japanese, use the Lunar calendar. Wesak is the most important of the Buddhist festivals and is celebrated on the full moon in May. It celebrates the Buddha's birthday.

Pagans celebrate the Spring Equinox. It is a solar festival, celebrated when the length of the day and the night are equal (this happens twice a year, at Spring and Autumn Equinox). The Spring Equinox celebrates the renewed life of the Earth that comes with the spring.

Note: comprehension questions (written by Andrea McCulloch) about this text are available on skillsworkshop.org