What is a Pagan?

George and Sally were playing on the playground of a nearby school. They were sitting together on the monkey bars and talking about things at home.

"I'm looking forward to the Easter Sunday school." George said.

"You can't wait, huh", Sally asked George.

"no," replied George "I always get to be in a play at Church. Can't you wait for service?"

"We don't go Easter Sunday service at our house", said Sally.

"That must be hard, you don't get to have fun." George said as he jumped off the monkey bars and went to greet his mother who was ready to go.

Sally got down too and headed over to her own mother with a question on her mind.

"Why don't we go to Easter Sunday service?", asked Sally.

"We don't go there because it isn't a Pagan holiday and we are Pagans. We celebrate other holidays though," Sally's mom said.

"What is a Pagan?" asked Sally

"Well, that is a hard question, when we get home, we will talk about it, ok?" Sally's mom said as she turned the key to start the car.

"Ok," Sally said with a big smile on her face.

Activity:

- Get your child a piece of paper, colored pencils, and go to a quiet place to work
- Have them draw the things you mention as you explain to them what a Pagan is.
- Have your child draw a Man and put a star above his head as you tell them this: "This is to represent a God. Pagans believe in a God, usually several of them."
- Have your child draw a Woman and put a star above her head as you tell them this: "This is to represent a Goddess. Pagans believe in a Goddess, usually several of them."
- Have your child draw a tree and a bird as you tell them this: "Trees and birds represent nature, this nature gives us peace, life, and everything we need to survive. Pagans believe nature is very important and that we should take care of it so we can survive together.

*If you have other things you want to add to the answer add them as you see fit.

Hang your child's picture up somewhere they can refer to it for a while and maybe point out to you the things that Pagans believe. As they are hanging it up tell them "Being a Pagan means that you believe in these things. There are many other things that Pagans believe in, but, this is their very basic beliefs."