

Happy Halloween

Halloween is October 31. It is an old Celtic holiday that came to the United States with Irish immigrants. It is a day and night for fun, tricks, masks and costumes. Children love this holiday and many adults like it, too.



Some people decorate their homes and yards. Typical Halloween symbols are witches, black cats, skeletons, ghosts, and carved pumpkins, called jack-o'-lanterns. Black is the color of winter and long nights. Orange is the color of the harvest.



Some schools have Halloween parades and children wear costumes to school. After school, or at night, children go to homes in their neighborhood. They knock on the door. When a person opens the door, the children say, "Trick or treat!" The neighbor gives the children candy or gum, pencils or money.



If you have children, help them stay safe on Halloween. Young children need to go out with an adult and carry a light. Older children can go with a group of friends. If you are driving, be careful! There will be lots of children out in the streets.

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Find someone who...

1. Likes candy _____
2. Has a festival like Halloween in his or her country _____
3. Has a costume _____
4. Will take children trick or treating on Halloween _____
5. Will stay home and give candy to children _____
6. Decorates his or her house for Halloween _____
7. Wants to carve a pumpkin _____
8. Likes the colors black and orange _____

