

Halloween: Cloze Activity

Fill in the blanks below using words from the word bank.

Word Bank:

candle mist goodies hollowed-out	ghost haunted wizard corpses	treating gruesome spine-chilling costumes carve	ghastly spider webs jack-o'-lantern imps	broomsticks trolls spooky coffins
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Halloween is a holiday celebrated on the last night of October. On the 31st, many people dress up in (1) costumes and go trick or (2) treating. Children go from house to house around their neighbourhood collecting (3) goodies. Some people dress up in scary costumes (such as a (4) ghost), some people dress up in magical costumes (such as a (5) wizard), some people dress up in pretty costumes (such as a princess), and some dress up as an animal (such as a bunny).



On Halloween, some people like to (6) carve a pumpkin, which is called a (7)

jack-o'-lantern. The pumpkin is (8) hollowed-out and then carved into a scary face; a small (9) candle is then placed inside the pumpkin.

Another Halloween activity is visiting a (10) haunted house, a place that has been decorated in a (11) spooky way, with ghosts, vampires, mummies, monsters, black cats, (12) spider webs, witches flying on their (13) broomsticks and other creepy things.

Sometimes parents read fairy stories to their children. They are set in magic forests which are full of fantastic or mythological creatures like elves, (14) trolls, goblins, or (15) imps.

Teenagers and adults prefer to watch terror movies, which often have (16) spine-chilling scenes set in cemeteries, where graves are open and (17) corpses have left their (18) coffins and (19) ghastly figures appear in the (20) mist. Other people prefer gory films, full of bloody, (21) gruesome crimes.

Key: (1) costumes (2) treating (3) goodies (4) ghost (5) wizard (6) carve (7) jack-o'-lantern (8) hollowed-out (9) candle (10) haunted (11) spooky (12) spider webs (13) broomsticks (14) imps/ trolls (15) trolls/ imps (16) spine-chilling (17) corpses (18) coffins (19) ghastly (20) mist (21) gruesome.