



**Read the text and fill in the gaps with the correct answer. Write one word for each question.**

Halloween is celebrated 1) \_\_\_\_\_ 31<sup>st</sup> October every year. It originated 2) \_\_\_\_\_ a pagan holiday and the Christian holiday of All Saints' Day. The name Halloween is a shortened version 3) \_\_\_\_\_ All Hallows' Eve. Today, it is more of a fun day 4) \_\_\_\_\_ children and has largely lost 5) \_\_\_\_\_ religious roots. Halloween is probably more famous in the USA. Irish immigrants took it 6) \_\_\_\_\_ America in the mid-1600s and it slowly spread across the country. Halloween is not celebrated in many countries around the world although many people know 7) \_\_\_\_\_ it. Some Christians are 8) \_\_\_\_\_ so happy that people celebrate Halloween. They believe the holiday is un-Christian because of its origin 9) \_\_\_\_\_ a pagan "festival of the dead."

Halloween 10) \_\_\_\_\_ many easily identifiable symbols. The colours orange and black are widely used. 11) \_\_\_\_\_ particular, orange pumpkins and fires and black witches, cats and costumes 12) \_\_\_\_\_ common features of this day. 13) \_\_\_\_\_ of the biggest Halloween activities is trick-or-treating. This is 14) \_\_\_\_\_ children knock on doors and ask 15) \_\_\_\_\_ a small gift. If they don't get anything, they will play a trick 16) \_\_\_\_\_ the person who opens the door. Food 17) \_\_\_\_\_ plays an important role on Halloween. Toffee apples are very popular and so is anything made 18) \_\_\_\_\_ pumpkin. Halloween is a popular topic for Hollywood 19) \_\_\_\_\_. Many horror films have 20) \_\_\_\_\_ made about it. Because of this, Halloween is now known in many countries that never actually celebrate it.