

**Read the text and choose the right item.**

October comes and Halloween quickly approaches. This holiday is an old Celtic tradition. It is the time when people gather the harvest. Legends say that the worlds of the living and the dead come close during this time. The spirits of the dead, fairies, witches and goblins have a celebration in the night. The children spend time preparing for Halloween. They take pumpkins and carve (вырезают) jack-o-lanterns (фонарики) out of them. They listen to the stories of the mischievous goblin that sneaks into homes and puts salt in the sugar bowls, opens all the windows and hides everyone's clothes. The children learn that people use the jack-o-lanterns to scare off the mischievous goblins; they place them at the doorsteps and in the windows! On the day of the festival, classrooms in England are magically transformed and there are a lot of jack-o-lanterns. The children are surprised to find a witch at school. The witch tells them stories. The children come in simple homemade costumes. They welcome adventure, mystery, beauty, magic, and mischief.

1. **English people celebrate Halloween in \_\_\_\_ .**  
1. spring                      2. summer      3. autumn
2. **It is celebrated in October when \_\_\_\_ .**  
1. witches come to our houses  
2. the harvest is gathered  
3. dead spirits talk to us
3. **People believe that they can meet \_\_\_\_ that day.**  
1. old neighbours              2. pumpkin lanterns              3. dead spirits
4. **The symbol of Halloween is \_\_\_\_ .**  
1. a turkey      2. a pumpkin      3. an apple
5. **Children usually make \_\_\_\_ out of pumpkins.**  
1. pies              2. seeds              3. lanterns
6. **Goblins behave badly as they \_\_\_\_ .**  
1. come into houses  
2. use salt instead of sugar  
3. change the place of things
7. **Jack-o-lanterns help to \_\_\_\_ .**  
1. keep spirits away  
2. light houses  
3. celebrate the holiday
8. **Children like this holiday because they can \_\_\_\_ .**  
1. dress up              2. put on costumes              3. eat tasty things