

## Halloween VS The day of the dead



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## Halloween Words

mummy	witch	ghost	pumpkins
			
tombstone	spider	jack-o'-lantern	moon
			
candy	skeleton	costumes	scarecrow
			
Frankenstein	bat	monster	owl
			

### Read and answer the questions

Halloween is a traditional celebration held on October 31st. Today, Halloween is an excuse for Halloween theme costume parties. Many children **dress up** in fancy costumes and **visit** other homes in the neighborhood. Sometimes, children go "trick or treating" - knocking on doors and they **demand** sweets, snacks or a small gift. If they **do not get** this, they **threaten** to do some harm to the inhabitants of the house. This is known as playing 'trick-or-treat' and is supposed to happen in a friendly spirit. families Also decorate **their** house with skull, skeletons, lanterns.

Día de Muertos **becomes** more familiar to the rest of the world thanks to the movie Coco from Disney. In the 1st and 2nd of November, Mexico and parts of Latin America celebrate *Día de los Muertos* (also known as *Day of the Dead*) to honor their ancestors. It is believed that the Gates between Heaven and Earth **open up** at midnight on October 31 and the souls of children **return** to Earth to be reunited with their families for 24 hours. The souls of adults also **come down** from heaven to join in the festivities on November 2. on this holyday Mexicans remember and honor their deceased loved ones. Mexicans **visit** cemeteries, **decorate** the graves, and **spend** time there, in the presence of their deceased friends and family members. They also **make** elaborately decorated altars (called ofrendas) in their homes to welcome the spirits. The Ofrendas **usually have** candles, bright marigolds called cempasuchil and red cock's combs alongside food like stacks of tortillas and fruit.

1. How do children celebrate Halloween?
2. What do children demand in Halloween?
3. How do they decorate their houses?
4. When do Mexican people celebrate the day of the dead?
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