



The origins of Halloween



When most people think of Halloween, they think of "Trick-or-treating",

bobbing for and other family-friendly activities. Halloween dates back from

years ago. The original festival was called It was celebrated on

^{1st}. On the night before, people believed that the returned as

They left and wine on their doorsteps to keep roaming away. They wore

when they left their houses to be mistaken for ghosts. The Christian Church turned Samhain in All Saints' Day or All Hallows in the th century.

The night before became All Hallows' Eve later shortened into . You put a trick or treating on Halloween. What about or ? All three of these

traditions originated in Medieval Britain. On All Souls' Day, November 2nd, the needy would bake known as soul cakes. In return, they would pray for people's dead relatives.

This was called souling.

In the Medieval Halloween tradition of guising, young people would in costumes and accept and other offering in exchange for singing, reciting poetry or telling jokes.

In 19th century , and Scottish immigrants revived these old

traditions: the result was

