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READING COMPREHENSION.

Read this text carefully and tick the correct answers.

All about Halloween

Halloween is on October 31st. People believe Halloween started more than 2000 years ago with the ancient Celtic festival called Samhain. On this day, they thought ghosts came back on this night. To keep away the ghosts, people used to wear costumes and make big fires.



A picture of an ancient Celtic Samhain festival.

One tradition on Halloween is to carve** pumpkins, called jack-o'-lanterns. This started in Ireland with a story about a man named "Stingy Jack." People carved** faces into turnips to keep Jack's spirit away. When people from Ireland moved to USA, they used pumpkins because they are bigger and easier to carve**.



A face carved* into turnip.



A face carved* into pumpkin.

Moreover, Halloween is also a time to tell spooky*** stories and watch scary movies. People of all ages wear costumes of witches, ghosts, and zombies. Some people have Halloween parties with games, treats, and decorations.



A Halloween party.

To finish with, today Halloween is a fun holiday. Children go from house to house saying, "Trick or treat!" They wear costumes and get candy. People also decorate their houses with spooky things like skeletons, spiders, and bats.

Glossary

***costumes**: disfresses
****carve:** tallar
*****spooky**: esgarrifós

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People wear costumes a long time ago...

a) to celebrate with friends
b) to keep ghosts away
c) to honor Stingy Jack

The idea of carving Jack-o'-lanterns come from...

a) USA
b) Mexico
c) Ireland

Children usually say "_____" when they go to houses on Halloween.

a) "Boo!"
b) "Trick or treat!"
c) "Give me candy!"
d) "Happy Halloween!"

People use pumpkins for carving in America beacuse...

a) are softer and easier to carve.
b) are more common in America.
c) turnips are expensive.

Halloween is called a "spooky" holiday because...

a) people play music loudly
b) people wear scary costumes and tell spooky stories
c) people make big fires

Put the sentences as they appear in the text.

A.Trick-or-treating	B. Celtic festival called Samhain	C. Carving pumpkins

a. B → A → C.
b. C → B → A.
c. B → C → A.

In the sentence "people from Ireland moved to USA", what does "moved" mean?

a. danced.
b. travelled from one country to another.
c. changed.

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