Why Do We Celebrate Halloween?

Instructions: Answer the questions from the story.

1. When was the Halloween's origin in contemporary calendars?

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2. What are popular costumes in Halloween holiday?

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3. Why were the first American colonists forbidden to celebrate in Halloween?

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4. Why do people get dress by animal skin or blend in with otherworldly ?

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5. The Halloween in present is for whom?

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Instructions 2: Listen the story then choose the words to fill in the blank.

Samhain	held on	religious	popular	disappeared

Halloween has been around for more than a thousand years. Originally a _____observance, it became increasingly secular over the centuries until its religious trappings all but _____. Today Halloween is considered a holiday for dress-up and fun, especially for children.

Halloween's origins can be traced back to the ancient Celtic festival known as _____, which was _____ November 1 in contemporary calendars. It was believed that on that day, the souls of the dead returned to their homes, so people dressed in costumes and lit bonfires to ward off spirits. In this way, _____Halloween tropes such as witches, ghosts, and goblins became associated with the holiday.

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costumes	incorporated	designated	Hallows' Eve	superstition
honor	characterized	Samhain	gatherings	evolved

Straddling the line between fall and winter, plenty and paucity, life and death, Halloween is a time of celebration and _____. It is thought to have originated with the ancient Celtic festival of _____, when people would light bonfires and wear _____ to ward off roaming ghosts. In the eighth century, Pope Gregory III _____November 1 as a time to _____ all saints and martyrs; the holiday, All Saints' Day, _____some of the traditions of Samhain. The evening before was known as All _____ and later Halloween. Over time, Halloween _____ into a secular, community-based event _____ by child-friendly activities such as trick-or-treating. In a number of countries around the world, as the days grow shorter and the nights get colder, people continue to usher in the winter season with _____, costumes, and sweet treats.

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