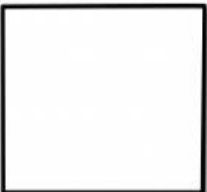


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First, a bit of vocabulary.

				
Smell (verb)	Tinge (shade)	dots	ink	gloves
				
A wig	uncomfortable	claws	run (verb)	A square

1. They always wear _____

A real witch will always be wearing _____ when you meet her because she doesn't have finger-nails. Instead of finger-nails, she has thin curvy _____, like a cat, and she wears the _____ to hide them.

2. They'll be as 'bald as a boiled egg'

Not a single hair grows on a witch's head. You'd think this would make them easy to spot? Wrong! Real witches always wear a _____. And not just any _____.

An expensive-first-class _____ that looks like real hair.

The only way to check is to give it a pull to see if it comes off (note we do not recommend doing this).



3. They'll have large nose-holes

Witches have the most amazing powers of _____ and therefore have slightly larger nose-holes than ordinary people. They can even _____ out a child who is standing on the other side of the street on a pitch-black night, and the cleaner you are, the more smelly you are to a witch. Witches call them stink-waves.

4. Their eyes change colour

Look carefully into the suspects eyes, right into the middle of the eye where there's normally a little black _____. If she's a witch, the black _____ will keep changing in colour, and you'll see fire and you'll see ice dancing right in the very centre of the coloured _____. It will send shivers running all over your skin.



5. They have no toes

Witches don't have any toes. They just have feet with _____ ends. A real witch will hide her ugly feet by squeezing them into pretty shoes, which they find extremely _____. Look very closely and you might see a real witch limping very slightly.

6. They have blue spit

Real witches have blue spit, like _____ (they even use it to write with). If you look very carefully you might be able to see a slight blueish _____ on their teeth.

So there you are. As you can see it's very difficult to spot a real witch, but if she's wearing _____, has large nose-holes, queer eyes and a blueish _____ on her teeth then _____ like mad . . .