

The History Of Halloween
Halloween Traditions Explained



Vocabulary Matching

Match the words from the video (1-6) to their correct definitions (a-f).

Word	Definition
1. Samhain	a. A root vegetable that people carved before pumpkins.
2. Disguise	b. Going door-to-door to ask for candy.
3. Ancestors	c. People in your family who lived a long time ago.
4. Trick-or-treating	d. An ancient Celtic festival that Halloween originated from.
5. Turnip	e. A name for a carved pumpkin, based on an old story.
6. Jack-o'-lantern	f. To change your appearance so people don't recognize you.

True or False?

Read the sentences below and write T (True) or F (False) based on the video.

1. The video says Halloween originated in America about 2,000 years ago. _____
2. During Samhain, people wore costumes to hide from evil spirits. _____
3. The name "Halloween" comes from the Christian holiday "All Saints' Day." _____
4. In medieval Britain, poor people received "soul cakes" in exchange for praying for the dead. _____
5. According to the story, "Stingy Jack" was not allowed into heaven or hell. _____
6. Apple bobbing has always been just a fun party game. _____

Short Answer Questions

Answer the questions below in one or two complete sentences.

1. According to the video, what did the Celtic people believe happened during Samhain?
2. What is the origin of the "trick-or-treat" tradition mentioned in the video?
3. Why did people in Ireland and Scotland originally carve turnips?
4. Why did people start using pumpkins instead of turnips in America?



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