



The Story of Halloween



Halloween is one of the most popular holidays in the world. Every year, on the night of October 31, people wear costumes, carve pumpkins, and go trick-or-treating. But where did this tradition come from?

Long ago, the ancient Celts in Ireland, Scotland, and Britain celebrated a festival called Samhain. It marked the end of the harvest and the beginning of winter. The Celts believed that on this night, spirits could walk among living people. To protect themselves, they lit bonfires, wore scary masks, and left food outside to please the ghosts.

When Christianity spread through Europe, the Church created a special day — All Saints' Day (also called All Hallows' Day) on November 1. The night before it was called All Hallows' Eve, which later became Halloween.

In the 1800s, Irish immigrants brought Halloween to America. There, people started to carve pumpkins into Jack-o'-lanterns and go from house to house, saying "Trick or treat!" to get candies. Over time, Halloween became a fun celebration for both children and adults.

Today, Halloween is a time for fun and imagination. People decorate their homes with spiders, ghosts, and skeletons, watch scary movies, and enjoy parties. But the old Celtic idea remains — it's the night when the line between the living and the dead becomes thin.



True or False — “The Story of Halloween”

Read the statements and write T (True) or F (False) according to the text.

- 1) Halloween is celebrated on the last day of November. ☐
- 2) The ancient Celts celebrated a festival called Samhain. ☐
- 3) Samhain marked the beginning of summer. ☐
- 4) The Celts believed that spirits visited the world of the living on October 31. ☐
- 5) People lit bonfires and wore masks to protect themselves from ghosts. ☐
- 6) “All Hallows’ Eve” is the old name for Halloween. ☐
- 7) Halloween started in America in the 21st century. ☐
- 8) Irish immigrants brought Halloween traditions to America. ☐
- 9) “Trick or treat” means giving presents to adults. ☐
- 10) People often carve pumpkins to make Jack-o’-lanterns. ☐
- 11) Today, only children celebrate Halloween. ☐
- 12) Halloween decorations often include spiders, ghosts, and skeletons. ☐
- 13) Halloween reminds us of the connection between life and death. ☐

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Halloween



pumpkin



Jackolantern



spirits

ghost



costume



trickortreat



candies

skeleton



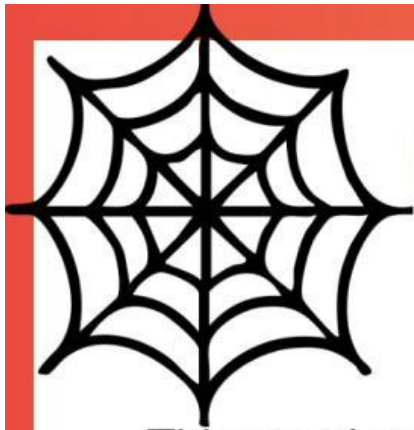
witch



hauntedhouse



spider



My Halloween Plan



Writing Task

This year I am going to celebrate **Halloween** in a special way!

Here's my plan:



This year I am going to **decorate my room** with

_____.

I would like to make a costume of

_____.

Then I will meet with my friends for trick-or-treating, and we will

_____.

After that, we are going to _____.

In the evening, I will _____.

I think this Halloween will be _____!

