



Halloween

Oral Comprehension

This holiday is also known as All Hallows's Eve.

Welcome to watchmojo.com and today we'll be learning more about _____.

«trick or treat!»

Halloween is a _____ observed annually on _____. Though they celebrate it in some _____ and South _____ countries, is mostly commemorated by _____ nations.

Some believe Halloween has pagan origins. It is most commonly linked to the Celtic _____ of Samhain which marked the end of _____ and the harvest season.

During this period, the people of the Gaelic world held feasts in honor of the departed _____ that entered our realms.

Alongside the souls of the deceased it was believed that various _____ beings made their way to us as well. But not all of them were _____.

As such, people started carrying carved turnips and wearing _____ in a possible attempt to deter _____ spirits. Other Samhain customs including going from home to home to gather _____, fuel and offerings for the festival. When the _____ Empire conquered Celtic territory later on, some of ancient Roman religious traditions such as its festival of the _____, were incorporated into the celebration of Samhain.

Halloween has also been associated with _____ because of All Hallows or All Saints Day on _____.

With All Soul's Day falling on _____, this holy period obliged Religious Europeans to observe various _____ that were in practice as early as the _____ century.

For instance, to pray for souls trapped in Purgatory, the impoverished went to their neighbor's homes for soul

_____ that were _____ for the occasion. Meanwhile, those trying to hide from potentially vengeful _____ would dress up. This _____ spread to North America through _____ and _____ immigration in the _____ century. It was here that the _____ eventually replaced the turnip as the Jack'O Lantern. Other objects connected with Fall like corn husks and scarecrows were also adopted as _____ for the home during

Halloween. Thanks to its associations with Spirits and the world beyond, Halloween's been linked to _____ imagery and _____ figures.

So as «trick or treating» increased in popularity, many traditional Halloween costumes worn by _____ became supernatural in theme. These days, costume choices have expanded to include famous people, pop culture characters and more. Today instead of traveling to a neighbor's home for soul cakes or other offerings, the custom involves a request for _____.

Normally reserved for _____, the practice of going door to door is usually accompanied by participants asking «trick or treat» when collecting their _____. Playing pranks has also been historically associated with Halloween. Adults celebrate by also darning costumes and attending Halloween parties. Other common activities today include watching horror movies and sharing ghost tales. Halloween is now a lucrative holiday as costumes, candy and horror films are big _____. You'll likely be able to find a screening of «The Rocky Horror Picture Show» to watch but Halloween _____ like haunted houses, hail rides and more are also available. For Halloween costumes and make up ideas, head to «watchmojo.com» for our easy and fun tutorial videos.

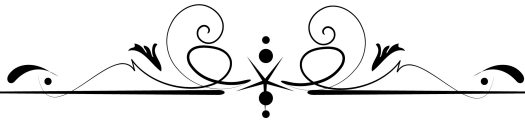




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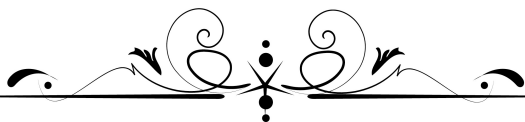
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10. Give your opinion about this celebration. Do you like it? Have you ever celebrated it?