

# **BEGINNER LEVEL HALLOWEEN ESL LESSON PLAN**



## Halloween Vocabulary

Do you know these words or phrases? Write the word or phrase below each drawing.



## Halloween Reading

**Read the article below about Halloween.**



October 31st is Halloween. Halloween is not a holiday, but it is a very special day for children in Canada and the United States. On Halloween, children dress up in costumes. Some children wear masks and some children wear makeup. They dress up as monsters, famous people, ghosts, witches, cartoon characters, pirates and more. In the evening, they walk around their neighborhoods and go from house to house shouting “trick or treat” or “Halloween apples”. At each house, people give out many different kinds of candy. In the past it was also very common to give children apples on Halloween.

One traditional custom of Halloween is to put a Jack O’ Lantern in the window. To make a Jack O’ Lantern, we clean out the inside of a pumpkin, cut out a face, and put a candle inside. People often decorate their homes with pictures of black cats, spiders, witches, bats, and ghosts.

Have a safe and happy Halloween!

### Questions



What day is Halloween? \_\_\_\_\_

Is Halloween a holiday? \_\_\_\_\_

What do some children dress up as on Halloween? \_\_\_\_\_

What do children shout when they go from house-to-house? \_\_\_\_\_

What do people at each house give the children? \_\_\_\_\_

Where do people sometimes put Jack O’ Lanterns on Halloween? \_\_\_\_\_

What do people sometimes put inside their Jack O’ Lanterns? \_\_\_\_\_

How do people sometimes decorate their homes on Halloween? \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

## Halloween Jumble

**A) Can you unscramble these 10 words? After you unscramble them draw a line to the correct picture.**

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unthead oseuh \_\_\_\_\_

ritape \_\_\_\_\_

dragveray \_\_\_\_\_

stelkeon \_\_\_\_\_

chwit \_\_\_\_\_

diarwz \_\_\_\_\_

stromen \_\_\_\_\_

crikt or greatint \_\_\_\_\_

shotg \_\_\_\_\_



**B) Can you find 9 words from today's lesson in the word search below? Some of the words are from the exercise above and some are from the reading.**

g	h	o	s	t	e	r	p	s	t	h
m	r	i	b	u	v	u	m	h	i	a
t	w	a	s	s	m	s	w	s	c	l
e	h	s	v	p	s	s	i	a	s	l
s	i	s	k	e	l	e	t	o	n	o
s	m	i	s	s	y	s	c	s	s	w
o	n	v	e	s	s	a	h	u	a	e
c	o	s	t	u	m	e	r	s	o	e
d	e	c	o	r	a	t	e	d	m	n

## Halloween Survey

**A) Walk around your classroom and ask the following questions to your classmates.**

[illegible]

**B) After you have finished the survey, answer the following questions on your own.**

1. How many people in your class are going to dress up for Halloween? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the most interesting costume? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Are any students going to dress up as the same thing? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What did you dress up as last year? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Do you like Halloween? \_\_\_\_\_

## Story Telling

Have you ever heard a scary ghost story? Do you like ghost stories? With a partner try to invent your own scary ghost story and write it on the lines below. Once you've finished, be prepared to read it to your class.



## Teachers Notes

### Halloween Vocabulary

The following is a listed of words or phrases to teach your students. They should write them on the lines below each image.

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|------------|----------------------|--|
| 1. wizard  | 2. haunted house     | 3. black cat                           |
| 4. monster | 5. cowboy            | 6. witch on a broom (or, flying witch) |
| 7. witch   | 8. trick or treating | 9. graveyard                           |
| 10. pirate | 11. skeleton         | 12. zombie                             |
| 13. ghost  | 14. pumpkin          | 15. Jack O' lantern                    |

### Halloween Reading Comprehension

1. October 31st
2. No, Halloween is not a holiday.
3. Some children dress up as monsters, famous people, ghosts, witches, etc...
4. "trick or treat!"
5. They give children candy.
6. People sometimes put Jack O' lanterns in their windows.
7. People sometimes put candles inside their Jack O' lanterns.
8. People sometimes decorate their homes with black cats, spiders, ghosts, etc...

### Halloween Jumble

1. jack O' lantern
2. haunted house
3. pirate
4. graveyard
5. skeleton
6. witch
7. wizard
8. monster
9. trick or treating
10. ghost

### Word Search

