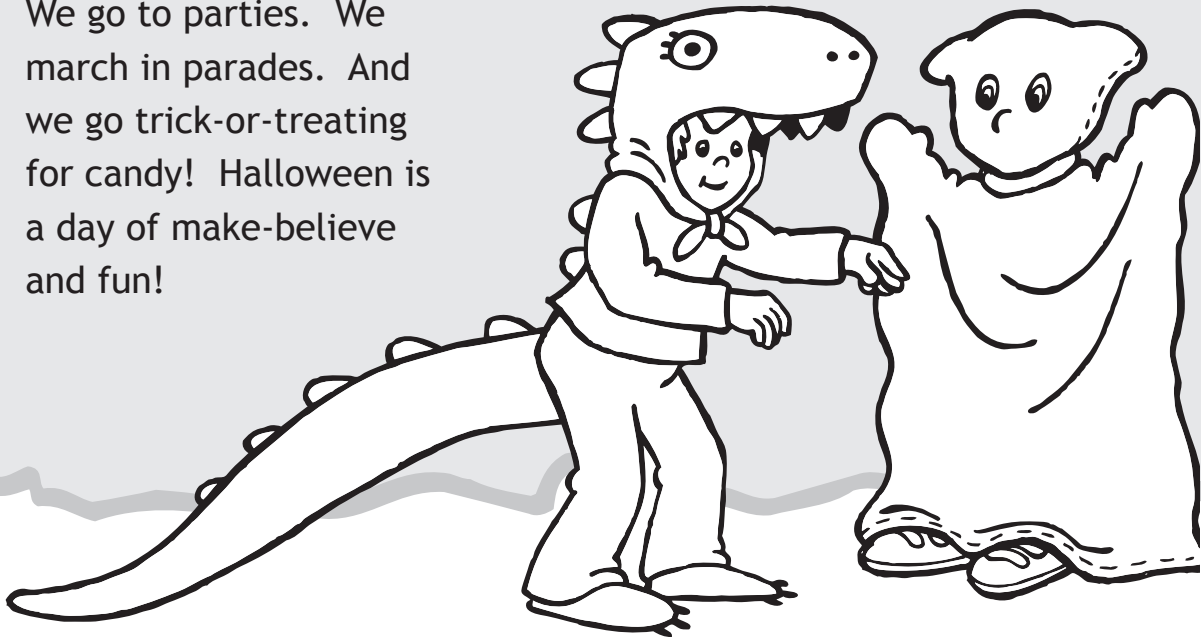


Halloween

October 31

Boo! Did you jump? Are you scared? Halloween is the day of spooky ghosts and mean witches. On Halloween, we dress up in costumes. We go to parties. We march in parades. And we go trick-or-treating for candy! Halloween is a day of make-believe and fun!



Summary of Activities

Reading: Literature

Halloween for Dogs—fictional story with a drawing activity

Reading: Informational Text

How to Roast Pumpkin Seeds—nonfiction passage with comprehension questions

Writing

Dressing Up—activity in which students write about what they want to be for Halloween

Bonus

Pumpkin-Seed Name—activity in which students color and cut out pumpkin seeds and use them to write their names

Vocabulary: costume, parade, pumpkin, silly, spooky, trick-or-treating



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Halloween for Dogs

Directions: Read the story. Then complete the activity.

I have a dog. His name is Bud. Bud is a pit bull. He is light brown. He has really short fur. Some people are afraid of pit bulls. But Bud is not scary at all. He is a very silly dog.

Bud can do tricks. If I throw a stick, he will run to get it and bring it back to me. If I sing a song, he will howl with me. I guess he thinks that he is singing, too! Bud makes my whole family laugh.

Each Halloween, I take Bud with me when I go out trick-or-treating. He loves it! He likes to go from house to house. He gets lots of dog treats. He gets to see some of his dog friends.

The thing Bud likes best about Halloween is that he gets to dress up. Each year, my mom takes us to the pet store. They have lots of costumes for dogs.

Last year, Bud wore a lion costume. He looked great. Another time, he dressed like a bumblebee. He looked silly. This year, Bud will dress like Superman.

I love Bud. Halloween is so much fun with him. Everyone likes to see what Bud will wear. I can't wait for October 31!

Activity: What would you like to see Bud dress up as? Draw a picture of Bud in his costume.





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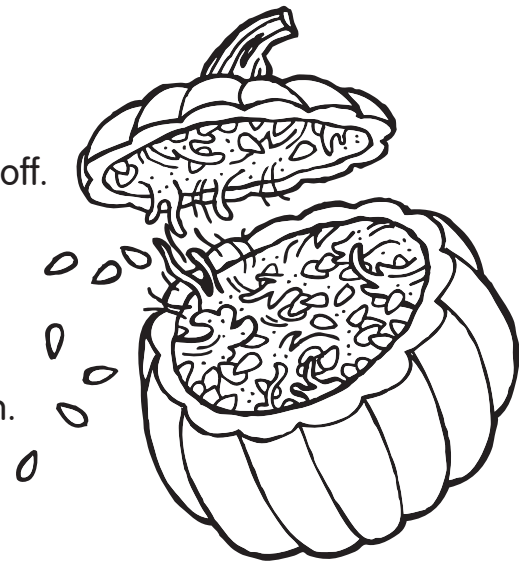
How to Roast Pumpkin Seeds

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer the questions.

In the fall, you will see lots of pumpkins. Pumpkins are a fruit. They are big and round. They are orange. They have brown stems that stick out of the tops. They are heavy.

Inside of each pumpkin, there are seeds. They are good to eat. They make a great snack. But you can't eat them right out of the pumpkin. You have to roast them first. Here's how:

- ① Scoop the seeds out of the pumpkin.
- ② Put the seeds in a strainer and rinse.
- ③ Pat the seeds with a paper towel to dry them off.
- ④ Put the seeds on a large baking sheet.
- ⑤ Drizzle olive oil onto the seeds and stir.
- ⑥ Sprinkle the seeds with salt.
- ⑦ With adult help, put the seeds in a 350°F oven.
- ⑧ Roast the seeds for 15 minutes.
- ⑨ Let the seeds cool off for 5 minutes.
- ⑩ Eat!



1. How long do you roast the seeds?
 - a. 5 minutes
 - b. 350 minutes
 - c. 15 minutes
2. What is the sixth thing you do?
 - a. Scoop the seeds out of the pumpkin.
 - b. Sprinkle the seeds with salt.
 - c. Eat the seeds.
3. What color is the stem of the pumpkin?
 - a. brown
 - b. black
 - c. white



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Dressing Up

Think about what you would like to be for Halloween this year. Will it be something scary? Will it be something silly? Will it be something fun? Write about it here. Make sure to begin your sentences with capital letters and end them with periods.

This Halloween, I would like to be _____



Name _____

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Pumpkin-Seed Name

Count how many letters are in your first name. Color that many pumpkin seeds light brown. Write each letter of your name on a seed. Cut out each seed that you colored. Place the seeds on a piece of orange construction paper. Arrange them to spell your name. Paste the seeds to the paper.

