

ALL ABOUT HALLOWEEN



A Guide to a Special Day!

Halloween is a special holiday that happens every fall. It is on October 31st!



Halloween is celebrated in many countries all around the world!

Some Halloween traditions have been around for hundreds of years.





On Halloween, lots of people choose to wear costumes.

Some costumes are funny, some are pretty and some can be a little bit scary.

Some Halloween costumes might have masks or hats so my friends' faces might be hidden.

Some people might have face paint on!



But under the costumes are boys and girls just like me!



It is okay if I don't want to dress up though.

I can wear a special Halloween t-shirt or maybe the Halloween colors orange and black.

I can also just wear my regular clothes, too!



Around Halloween, I might see decorations around my school or my neighborhood. Some people have pumpkins.



Other people might have witches or ghosts or skeletons in their yards.

It is all just pretend, though, and a way that some people like to get in the Halloween spirit.









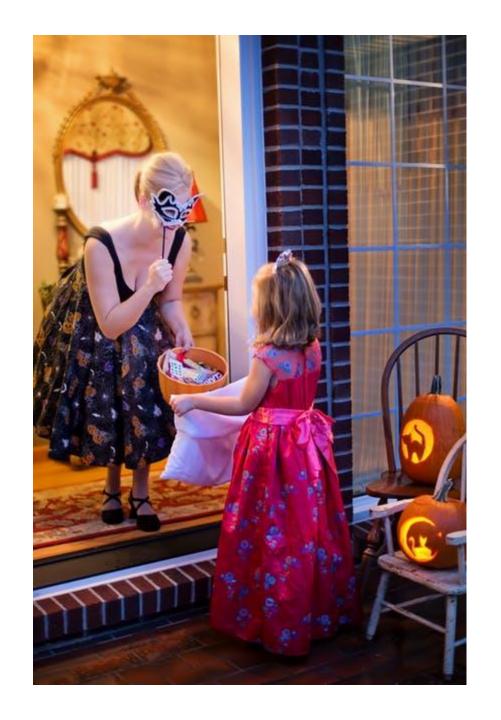


Some Halloween activities might include pumpkin decorating or picking or visiting "haunted" houses.

It is okay if I don't want to participate.

The most common Halloween activity is trick or treating!





Trick or treating means visiting your friends' or neighbors' houses or apartments for "treats".

Some friends might give out candy or snacks or small toys!

Usually moms and dads and other friends go trick or treating with kids like me.

They help make sure everyone is safe and having fun!



Some people use pumpkin baskets to collect their treats!

Hello! I have autism.

I may not say

"Trick or Treat"
but I am trying!

If I want to, I can wear a special badge or carry a bag with a sign so that the people who give out treats understand I might communicate a little bit differently.

It's okay if I don't want to trick or treat.

It is fun for a lot of people, but not for everyone. I can stay home and help hand out "treats" to the friends who come to my door. Or, I can just watch a movie or read a book.



No matter how I choose to celebrate, Halloween is lots of fun!







HAPPY HALLOWEIN!