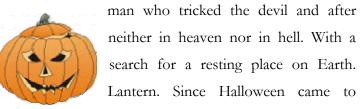


Halloween, the time of pumpkins, candies, ghosts, witches and much more, is annually celebrated on 31 October. That's the night before All Saints Day. Its origins date back thousands of years to the Celtic festival of Samhaim or The Feast of the Sun, a most significant holiday of the Celtic year. This day marked the end of summer but also the season of darkness as well as the beginning of the New Year on 1 November.

Druids in Britain and Ireland would light bonfires, dance around them and offer sacrifices of animal and crops. The fires were also intended to give warmth to the households and to keep free from evil spirits. Through the ages these practices changed.

The Irish hollowed out turnips, placed a light inside to keep away the bad and stingy

Jack. As the legend says, Jack was a Jack had died he was allowed lantern in his hand he began to This was the original Jack-o-



America from Ireland (Scotland and Wales) people used pumpkins because they were bigger and easier to hollow out than turnips.



During the centuries the cultures have added their own elements to the way Halloween is celebrated. Children love the custom of dressing-up in fancy costumes and going from door-to-door yelling "Trick-or-Treat" . Adults instead join spooky parties which are nearly held all over the cities and villages on that special

evening. A spooky decoration, games and "frightening food" are nuts and bolts for a Halloween party your friends won't soon forget.

Hal I oween Exerci se

1) What is potion?				
	a liquid with magic powers			
	a mixture of dried flowers			
	something to eat			
2) The festival of Halloween marks				
	the end of summer			
	the end of autumn			
	the end of winter			
3) A witch flies on a				
	board			
	broom			
	cat			
4) When is Halloween celebrated?				
	13 October			
	31 October			
	1 November			
5) Who brought Halloween to America?				
	English immigrants			
	German immigrants			
C	Irish immigrants			
6) What are the special colours of Halloween?				
	purple and orange			
	white and orange			
	black and orange			

7) Which creatures abound during Halloween?				
	black rats			
	white mice			
	black cats			
8) What do children say when the knock at the door on Halloween?				
	Trick or Treat			
	Trick or Money			
	Trick or Beat			
9) What aren't supernatural creatures?				
	princesses			
	fairies			
	witches			
10) What is a Jack-o-Lantern made of?				
	melon			
	pumpkin			
	cucumber			

useful words	meaning
bat	
bones	
broom	
candy	
cauldron	
cemetery	
coffin	
costume	
creepy	
frightening	
ghost	
goblin	
haunted	
Jack-O-Lantern	
magic	
mummy	
owl	
party	
pie	
potion	

pumpkin	
Pariprini	
scary	
scream	
shadow	
skeleton	
skull	
spell	
spider	
spirits	
spooky	
superstition	
to carve	
to hollow out	
tombstone	
treat	
trick	
vampire	
warlock	
werewolf	
witch	

