

Young Outlook

JACK-O-LANTERN

Color the "Jack-o-Lantern" below to make your own Halloween tag. After cutting out your tag, you may want to paste it on a piece of cardboard, then use a safety pin to attach it to your shirt or blouse.

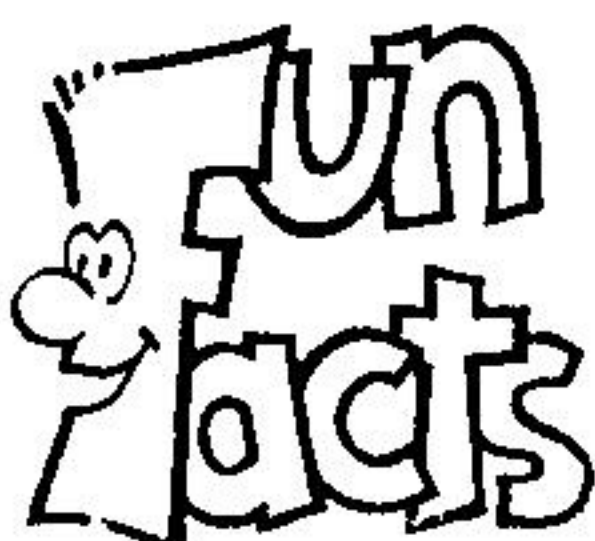


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COUNT DRACULA

One popular Halloween costume is that of Dracula. Use the grid lines to help you complete the drawing of this Halloween character.

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1. For many years, the night before Halloween was known as "Mischief Night," owing to the belief that on this night ghosts and fairies roamed the countryside playing practical jokes on people. This was the basis for the "trick" part of the trick-or-treat custom.

2. The original jack-o-lanterns were not pumpkins, but were hollowed-out turnips, potatoes and rutabagas.

3. Many men and women profess to be witches because of the actual meaning of the word witch. It means "wise one."

4. The popular idea that witches were burned is false. There is no record of witches being burned at any time in Salem or anywhere else in America.

HALLOWEEN HAUNTS

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Halloween is an ancient celebration, a combination of a Druid autumnal festival and Christian feast day, and dates from the 7th century.

To discover a Halloween message, fill in the blanks with a word for each phrase. The letters written on the dark lines will give you the message. What is the Halloween message?

1. a scary house - _____
2. a famous vampire - _____
3. to hand out - _____
4. sweet treats - _____
5. a spirit - _____
6. a lucky piece - _____
7. front of head - _____
8. a wicked woman - _____
9. Halloween pumpkin - _____
10. a night bird - _____
11. witch's transportation - _____
12. a clear liquid - _____
13. a source of light - _____

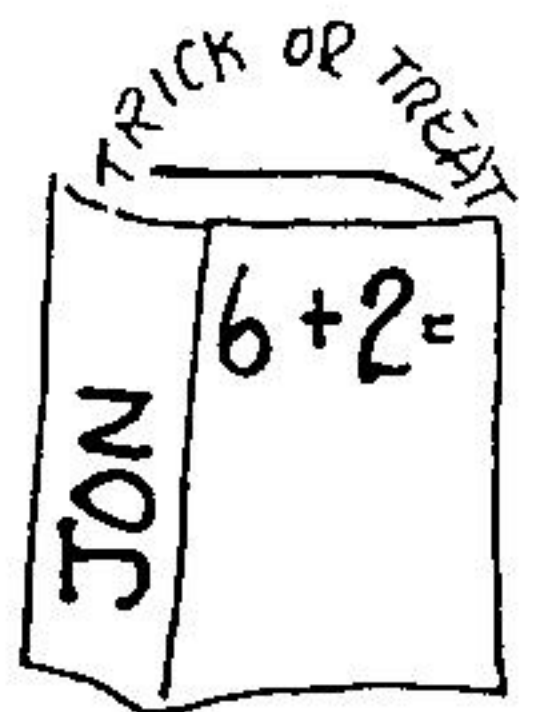
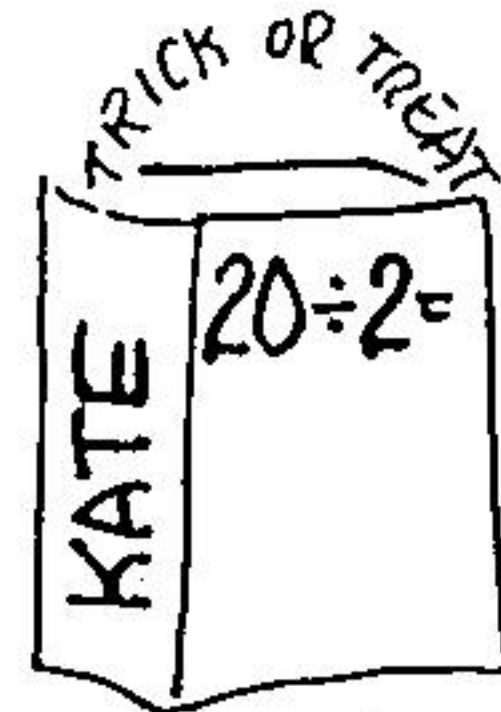
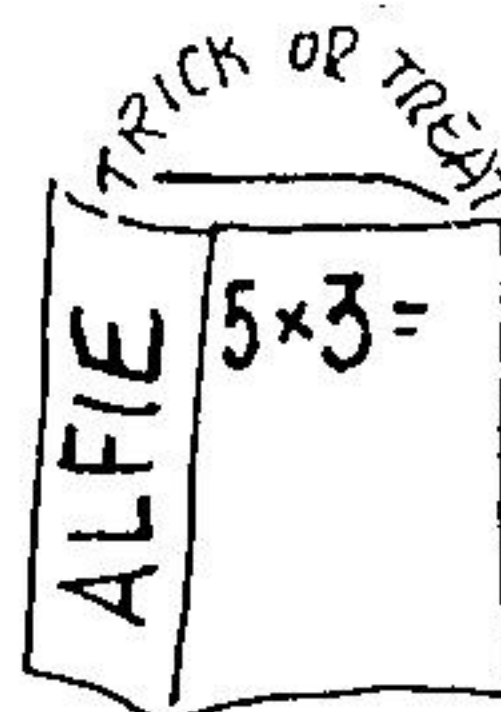
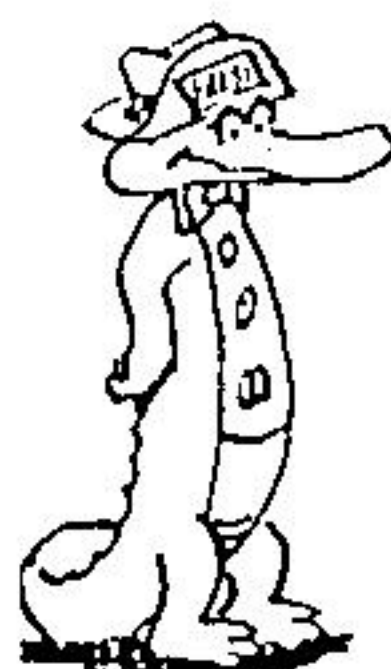
(Answers: 1. haunted, 2. Dracula, 3. give, 4. candy, 5. ghost, 6. charm, 7. face, 8. witch, 9. jack-o-lantern, 10. owl, 11. broom, 12. water, 13. lantern. Have a safe Halloween.)

TRICKY TREATS

Collecting treats has always been an important part of Halloween night. Alfie Alligator and some of his friends have already begun trick-or-treating and now Alfie wants to know how many treats they each received. You can help Alfie discover how many treats he and his friends have by solving the math problems.

Who has the most treats? _____

Who has the least number of treats? _____



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(Answers: Alfie - 15, Kate - 10, Jon - 8)

HALLOWEEN BOOKS

Halloween Crafts and Cookbook by Nancy Hatthaway. Grs. 2-5. Includes the story of Halloween, crafts, recipes and a game: *The Ghoul's Graveyard*.

Spooky Stuff by Shari Lewis. Grs. 4 and up. Includes ideas and how-to information for giving a haunted house party.

The Scary Halloween Costume Book by Carol Barkin. Grs. 4-6. A collection of almost instant, no-sew costumes topped off with fabulous facial make-up to turn you into your favorite horror creature.



Halloween can be a fun time for everyone if you remember to do the following:

1. Wear a brightly colored, fire-resistant costume.
2. Visit only houses where you know the residents.
3. Walk on sidewalks and look both ways before you cross the street.
4. Most importantly, follow your parent's instructions.

Make a Mask

To create your own original Halloween makeup, follow the easy recipe below.

- 2 tsp. white shortening
- 5 tsp. cornstarch
- 1 tsp. white flour
- glycerin
- food color
- cocoa

For the basic white mixture, cream together the first three ingredients. Add a few drops of glycerine to make it creamy, and then add food coloring as desired. For a brown mixture, blend together 1 tsp. white shortening and 2 1/2 tsp. unsugared cocoa. Add any markings you like to make yourself extra scary! Use cold cream or baby oil to remove your makeup.

A Little Bit Of HUMOR

Q Where does Wolfman keep his car?
A In the "parking lot."

Q What's the name of the famous Halloween building in New York City?
A The Vampire State Building.

Q Why's a turkey like a ghost?
A Cause he's a "turkey" ghost!

Q What did the boy ghost say to the girl ghost?
A. You sure are boo-tiful!

Q Why did the little ghost join the football team?
A. They needed a little team spirit!