

# Halloween



## Warm up

- How would you describe Halloween to someone who has never heard about it?
- Do you celebrate Halloween?
- Do you like Halloween?
- Is Halloween getting more or less popular where you live?
- What are you afraid of?
- What do you think about Halloween? Do you like this holiday?
- Do you think trick-or-treating is dangerous for children?
- Do you enjoy watching horror films?



## Quiz

1. When is Halloween celebrated? *3<sup>rd</sup> October*
2. Which fruit is usually cut up for decoration? *Pumpkin*
3. How old is Halloween? (closest wins!) *2000 years old*
4. What is the name of the children's cartoon character known as 'the friendly ghost'? *Casper*
5. What objects do witches fly on? *Brooms*
6. What is an item vampires are afraid of? *Garlic, crosses, holy water*
7. Which country does Dracula come from? *Romania*
8. What is Dracula's first name? *Vlad*
9. Which season is Halloween in? (Europe/US) *Autumn*
10. Which animal is unlucky to cross paths with? *A black cat*
11. Which country started Halloween? *Ireland*
12. Which insect has eight legs and is popular to see as Halloween decoration? *A spider*
13. What animal do Vampires transform into? *A bat*
14. What is Frankenstein's monster afraid of? *Fire*





1. Match the Halloween vocabulary with the correct image.

junk  
graveyard/cemetery  
spell  
ghosts  
brooms

witch  
jack o'lantern  
to scream  
bonfire  
decorations

Halloween costume  
candle  
haunted house  
pumpkin  
skeleton

1. jack o'lantern



2. Halloween costume



3. bonfire



4. ghosts



5. graveyard



6. spell



7. candle



8. witch



9. junk



10. scream



11. haunted house



12. decorations



13. pumpkins



14. skeleton



15. brooms





2. You are going to watch a video with the following vocabulary. Match the vocabulary to the correct definition.

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|--------------------|---|---|
| a. responsible for | 5 | 1. scary                                      |
| b. humour          | 3 | 2. straight away                              |
| c. spooky          | 1 | 3. comedy                                     |
| d. YA writer       | 8 | 4. to find                                    |
| e. immediate       | 2 | 5. to be in control or in charge of something |
| f. to discover     | 4 | 6. marketing                                  |
| g. advertising     | 6 | 7. strange                                    |
| h. weird           | 7 | 8. someone who writes books for teenagers     |



3. Watch the video titled ['The Comedy Roots of R.L Stine's Goosebumps'](#)<sup>1</sup>

1. What is the 'Goosebumps' series spoken about in this video?

*A series of horror books written for children and young teenagers.*

2. Who is R.L Stine?

*R.L Stine is the writer of the Goosebumps series.*

3. What type of writer did he start as?

*He started as a comedy writer.*

4. When was the first Goosebumps book published?

*1992.*

5. Name one Goosebumps book title?

*The Blind Date*

6. Did they advertise the book? How did the books get popular?

*Children discovered it and spread the message.*

7. Have you read any of the Goosebumps books? Can you remember any of the stories?

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4. Now play a round of 'Halloween Taboo' with your class.

<sup>1</sup> [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UG04vpA4rQM&ab\\_channel=GreatBigStory](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UG04vpA4rQM&ab_channel=GreatBigStory)