Halloween is a tradition that began in Europe many hundreds of years ago. Nowadays, it is a special day in many countries around the world. It always falls on the same date every year, on (1) October 31. At night, children wear (2) costumes. These are clothes that make them look like interesting (3) animals, monsters, or people. The costumes usually include a (4) mask or some makeup for the face. For example, on Halloween you might see an elephant, a (5) ghost with a tall, black hat, or maybe even a (6) ghost! The children then go from house to house and ask for (7) candy by saying, (8) “Trick or treat?” Many older kids and adults also put on costumes and they go to Halloween (9) parties. “Jack-o’ lanterns” are very common. A lot of people like to put them in their (10) windows or on their front door steps. They are (11) spooky with candles inside, and faces cut into them. Most people have a lot of (12) fun on Halloween. Happy Halloween everyone!
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Vocabulary Practice

- Match the words on the left with the meanings on the right.

1. candle B. a long stick of wax that can be burned to give light
2. costume ___ B. a person (usually a woman) that has magic powers
3. make up ___ C. strange and scary
4. mask ___ D. colors used on the face to change the way you look
5. monster ___ E. strange and scary animal (probably not real)
6. pumpkin ___ F. a strange and scary animal (probably not real)
7. spooky ___ G. clothes people wear to look like another person or thing
8. witch ___ H. something used to cover your face

How Much Do You Understand?

- Write ‘T’ (True) or ‘F’ (False) next to each statement.

1. F. The paragraph describes the best costumes to wear at Halloween.
2. ____ Halloween is popular in many places in the world.
3. ____ People usually celebrate Halloween in the morning or in the afternoon.
4. ____ Elephants like to wear tall, black hats.
5. ____ Pumpkins are very common during Halloween.
6. ____ Most people are afraid of witches during Halloween, so they stay at home.

Discuss

- Ask and answer the following questions with your classmates.

1. Do people in your country celebrate Halloween? (If ‘yes’, how?)
2. Too much candy can be bad for you. Do you think it’s better for children to ask for fruits and vegetables?
3. What kind of person or animal would you like to be during Halloween? Why?

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Grammar-in-Context

Complete the paragraph by circling the correct words.

Halloween is a tradition that began in Europe many hundreds of years ago. Nowadays, it is a special day (1) ______ on many countries around the world. It always falls on the same date every year (2) ______ October 31. At night, children (3) ______ costumes. These are clothes that make (4) ______ look like interesting animals, monsters, or people. (5) ______ costumes usually include a mask or some make up for the face. For example, on Halloween you might see (6) ______ witch with a tall, black hat, or maybe even a spooky ghost! The children then (7) ______ from house to house and ask for candy by saying, “Trick or treat?” (8) ______ older kids and adults also put on costumes and they go to Halloween parties. “Jack - o’ lanterns” (9) ______ very common. A lot of people like to put (10) ______ in their windows or on their front door steps. They are pumpkins with candles inside, (11) ______ faces cut into them. Most people (12) ______ a lot of fun on Halloween. Happy Halloween everyone!

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6. (A) these (B) a (C) an (D) those

7. (A) goes (B) going (C) is going (D) go

8. (A) Much (B) Many (C) More (D) More than

9. (A) are (B) be (C) is (D) do

10. (A) they (B) them (C) their (D) they’re

11. (A) but (B) so (C) because (D) and

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Word Search

Scan the letters below. How many words can you find in 12 minutes?

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Halloween
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(The first one is done for you.)
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Writing Practice – Spelling and Capitals

Try to find the one spelling or capital mistake in each line of the paragraph below.

1. halloween is a tradition that began in Europe many
2. hundreds of years ago. Nowadays, it is a special day in
3. many countries around the world. It always falls on the
4. same date every year, October 31. At night, children wear
5. costumes. These are clothes that make them look like
6. interesting animals, monsters, or people. The costumes
7. usually include a mask or some make up for the face. For
8. example, on Halloween you might see an elephant, a witch
9. with a tall, black hat, or maybe even a spooky ghost! The
10. children then go from house to house and ask for candy
11. by saying, “Trick or treat?” Many older kids and adults also
12. put on costumes and they go to Halloween parties. Jack-o’
13. lanterns are very common. A lot of people like to put them
14. in their windows or on their front door steps. They are
15. pumpkins with candles inside, and faces cut into them.
16. Most people have a lot of fun on Halloween. Happy
17. Halloween Everyone!
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Listening and Writing Practice

Listen to your teacher and complete the paragraph.

Halloween is a tradition that began in Europe many hundreds of years _______. Nowadays, it is a special day in many _______ around the _______. It always falls on the _______ _______ every _______, October 31. At _______, children wear _______. These are clothes that make them look like interesting _______, monsters, or _______. The costumes usually include a _______ or some make up for the _______. For _______, on Halloween you might see an _______, a witch with a tall, black _______, or maybe even a spooky _______!

The children then go from _______ to _______ and ask for _______ by saying, “Trick or treat?” Many _______ _______ and _______ also put on _______ and they go to Halloween _______. Jack - o' lanterns are very _______. A lot of people like to put them in their _______ or on their front _______ _______. They are _______ with candles inside, and _______ cut into them. Most people have a lot of _______ on Halloween. _______ Halloween everyone!
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Writing Practice

- **NARRATIVE Writing:** Use your imagination and complete the paragraph by writing a spooky ghost story. Remember to use Past Tense grammar in your writing.

_Last year, on Halloween, something very strange and spooky happened._

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**LESSON**

**Halloween**

**Language Focus**  Present Simple Tense / Past Simple Tense

**Level**  Intermediate to Advanced

**Time**  Approximately 120 – 180 minutes

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- **Complete the Paragraph**

  1. October 31
  2. costumes
  3. animals
  4. mask
  5. witch
  6. spooky
  7. candy
  8. Trick or treat?
  9. parties
  10. windows
  11. pumpkins
  12. fun

- **Vocabulary Practice**

  1. B
  2. G
  3. E
  4. H
  5. F
  6. A
  7. D
  8. C

- **How Much Do You Understand?**

  1. F (It describes the Halloween tradition)
  2. T
  3. F (They usually celebrate it at night.)
  4. F (Witches wear tall, black hats.)
  5. T
  6. F (Most people are not afraid of witches.)

- **Grammar-in-context**

  1. A
  2. C
  3. D
  4. A
  5. D
  6. B
  7. D
  8. B
  9. A
  10. B
  11. D
  12. A
  13. to
  14. Many
  15. Halloween
  16. very
  17. their
  18. inside
  19. people
  20. everyone

- **Spelling and Capitals**

- **Homework Idea**

  Write a ghost story (see attached worksheet). In the next class, get into a small group and read aloud your story.

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**EXPLORE on-line:**

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Halloween

http://www.listenaminute.com/h/halloween.html

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DPRaY5QWilk

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