

Run the party

8 games that need nothing you can't find in a kitchen drawer

1 Mummy wrap

Teams of 2 or 3. One person is the mummy; the others wrap them in toilet roll. 2 minutes. Best mummy wins (the grown-up judges). 1 roll per team.

2 Monster freeze

Play music and everyone dances like a monster. When it stops, freeze. Anyone who moves becomes a judge. Last monster dancing wins.

3 Pass the pumpkin

Players stand in a line and pass an orange (or small pumpkin) using only their chins and necks. Drop it and it goes back to the start.

4 Witch's broom relay

Two teams, two brooms. Ride the broom to a chair and back, then hand it on. First team home wins.

5 Feely boxes

Blindfold, then guess: peeled grapes (eyeballs), cold cooked spaghetti (worms), a wet sponge (brains), jelly (slime). Use a bowl and a tea towel over the top.

6 Spider's web

Wind wool round chair legs across a room. Hide a sweet at the end of each strand. Each child untangles their own strand to find the treat.

7 Doughnut challenge

Hang ring doughnuts on string from a broom handle held by two grown-ups. Eat one without using your hands.

8 Ghost in the graveyard

Hide and seek in the dark garden with torches. The ghost hides; when found, they shout 'Ghost in the graveyard!' and everyone runs home.

Safety: keep an eye on little ones with string and wool, use torches not candles in pumpkins near costumes, and check for food allergies before the feely boxes and doughnuts.

Spooky word search: easy

8 words, across and down only. Ages 5+

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B	V	D	O	D	V	G	S	V	I
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G	M	O	O	N	P	O	O	W	L
I	F	Y	A	P	S	S	Y	B	F
H	I	L	S	W	I	T	C	H	Y

☐ Bat

☐ Cat

☐ Ghost

☐ Moon

☐ Owl

☐ Spider

☐ Witch

☐ Pumpkin

Trick-or-treat spotter

Take this on your walk. How many can you spot? Stay with a grown-up

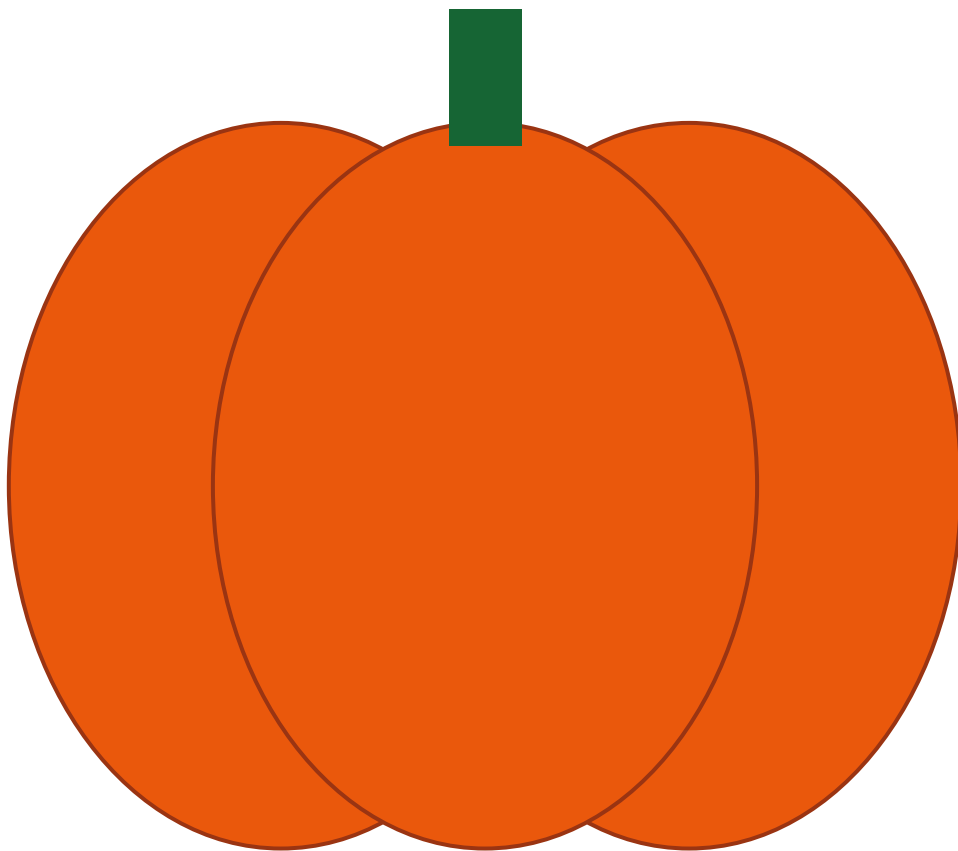
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| ☐ A carved pumpkin | ☐ A zombie |
| ☐ A witch's hat | ☐ A broomstick |
| ☐ A skeleton | ☐ A superhero |
| ☐ Fake cobwebs | ☐ Something purple |
| ☐ A black cat (real or not) | ☐ A dog in a costume |
| ☐ Someone dressed as a ghost | ☐ A full moon (or nearly!) |
| ☐ A house with orange lights | ☐ A spooky door knocker |
| ☐ A bat decoration | ☐ A bowl of sweets on a doorstep |

Trick-or-treat tips for grown-ups

- Only knock where there's a pumpkin or decorations out: that's the UK sign a house is happy to have visitors.
- Carry a torch, add something bright or reflective to dark costumes, and keep to your own streets.
- Check sweets at home before eating them.

Design your pumpkin

Draw your face here first, then copy it onto the real thing (grown-ups do the carving)



Tip: draw on the pumpkin with a felt pen first, then carve along the lines with a small serrated knife.