

HAPPY HALLOWEEN
WITH ELAN CHALON

WORKBOOK



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LET'S READ!

THE LEGEND OF HALLOWEEN...

As you know, Halloween is observed on October 31st. Several legends on Halloween exist, but the most famous one is the Irish one of Jack-o'-Lantern...

It tells that Stingy Jack, a lazy yet cunning blacksmith trapped Satan who wanted to take Stingy Jack's soul. To do so, Jack asked Satan to climb in a tree and crossed a white cross on the trunk. Satan couldn't climb down. When Jack died, God didn't accept him in Heaven because he was too lazy and stingy but Satan, bitter, didn't want him either. He gave Stingy Jack a coal to light his lantern made of turnip.

Since then, Stingy Jack has wandered until Last Judgement comes...



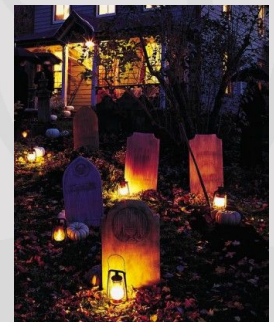
HALLOWEEN IN THE USA:



In the USA, everybody takes part in Halloween: children, adults and even President Obama!

People can spend a lot of money for creating haunted houses or graveyards. Families carve lanterns with 'scary' faces out of pumpkins to get rid off evil spirits.

Children go trick-and-treating in their neighbourhood. They dress up in a scary or fancy way and they ask for sweets. If you haven't got any, they can trick you! The adults celebrate Halloween by watching horror movies or holding costumed parties.



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Let's Read!

INTERVIEWS

- Hi Eric! How are you?

Eric : I' m good thanks!

- Can you talk a little about Halloween?

Eric : Yes, sure! To me, Halloween is really fun because I can see all the different Halloween costumes.



I also like it personally because you get to get all types of candies: lollipops, caramels, chocolates, gums, marshmallows... There are so many different candies in America! And now, I enjoy it more than ever with my 5 year-old daughter because you have to know that both of us are fond of candies! I also love seeing her dressed and having fun.

Halloween is that one day that gives me a chance to be a kid again! (laughs)

-Hello Anthony! As you know Halloween is coming....

Anthony : Yes, I' m happy! I' m fond of Halloween!

Can you tell us your most frightening memory of Halloween?

Anthony : My most frightening memory of Halloween... Huum... I don' t know... Oh yes! I know!

I think my most frightening memory of Halloween was probably when I was 11 years old. I was visiting a haunted house with my step-dad in Arkansas. And you know, in the US, Americans become crazy for Halloween. In this house, tables were shaking and frames on the wall were moving and the music was so stressful! And there were lots of people inside who were costumed in scary and bloody characters: zombies, vampires, living-deads...And they started to touch me. So I just went really scared. I started to cry. I was paralyzed. So my step-dad had no choice but to carry me out the house in his arms by the emergency exit.

Yeah, this is for sure the most terrifying Halloween I've ever lived.



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Interviews

VOCABULARY

Famous = célèbre

Stingy = radin

Lazy = paresseux

Cunning = rusé

Blacksmith = maréchal-ferrand

To trap = piéger

To climb = grimper

A trunk = un tronc

Bitter = rancunier

Either = non plus

A coal = un bout de charbon

A turnip = un navet

Costume = déguisement

Both of us = tous les deux

To take part in = participer à

Haunted house = maison hantée

Graveyard = cimetière

To carve = Creuser

To get rid of = se débarrasser

Evil = mal

Trick = rouler



DID I UNDERSTAND WELL?

1) Tick the good answer :

I. Halloween is observed on the :

M. Thirty-one of October

I. Thirteenth of October

G. Thirty-first of October

II. What was Stingy Jack like?

R. Inactive

A. Hardworking

U. Stupid

III. When he died, where did
Stingy Jack go?

P. In Heaven

L. In Hell

A. No where

IV. Who takes part in
Halloween?

O. Children only

E. Teenagers and children

D. Everybody

V. In what do Americans carve
scary faces for Halloween?

M. Graveyards

I. Pumpkins

E. Turnips

VI. What do the adults do for
Halloween?

S. Watching funny movies

T. Having huge parties

E. Nothing, they don't celebrate it

Take the letters from your good answers and find a name :



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Exercises

2) Answer the questions :

What are the different types of candies Eric Dawson talks about?

How old is Eric's daughter?

Why is Halloween so special for Eric?

In what State did Anthony Ireland celebrate Halloween?

Who was Anthony with when he celebrated Halloween?

3) Right or wrong? Pick the good answers :

	Right	Wrong
Anthony laughed so much his step-father carried him out the house.		
Eric and his daughter dislike candies.		
In Arkansas, people were costumed in bloody characters.		
Eric enjoys spending time with his boy for Halloween.		
When Anthony came into the house, tables started to move.		



IT'S TIME TO PLAY!

Find the words in English in the grid below (they are in alphabetical order):

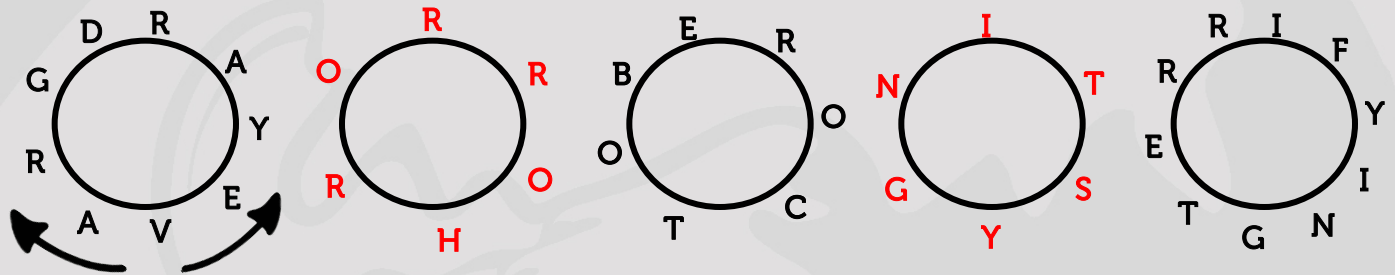
Ensanglanté
Bonbon (US)
Creuser
Charbon
Déguisement

Mal
Hantée
Citrouille
Effrayant
Navet

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P	I	N	R	U	T	B	F	X	M
C	Y	V	U	I	O	P	N	L	L
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S	E	R	Y	U	I	O	P	C	G
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I	Y	R	N	I	K	P	M	U	P



Find the first letter of each word (they can be read in both way)



Inverse two letters to form a new word:

GEMA → GAME

SRIIH	
WDNAER	
STIRIP	
EWSET	
COSMUTE	
POLLIPOL	
EOMBIZS	
EMEYGENCR	



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Games