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## Boo!

1. We took a time machine back 2,000 years to hear about the history of Halloween. Write as if you'd just emerged from the time machine: where did we go, and what did we see?

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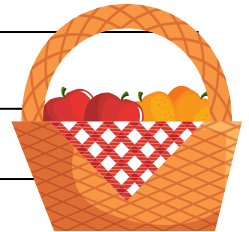
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2. Look at the pictures to help remind yourself what "mumming and guising" was in the 16th century. What is it similar to today?



3. A dog trainer called Louise Glazebrook told *The Guardian* newspaper that costumes were okay, as long as "a dog should always be allowed to be a dog. A costume with a hood will cause stress and therefore change the dog's behaviour and should be avoided. The other thing is to watch out for the material – a dog is going to get really hot in polyester or nylon."

What do you think Louise would say about this costume?

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4. Which Halloween tradition comes from the Irish legend of Stingy Jack? What do you remember about the story?



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5. Why do you think Halloween is such a big deal in the United States?

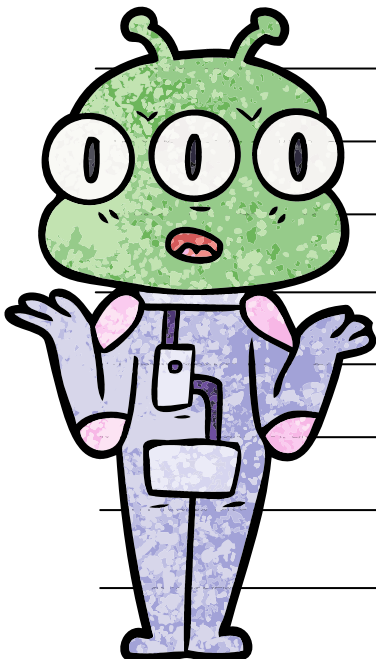
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6. Imagine that a friendly alien arrived on Earth on October 31 and asked your opinion on whether Halloween was a good holiday. What would you tell them? Remember, they know nothing about Halloween, so you'll need to provide some descriptive details.



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