

Trick or Treat



Running out of school with a leaflet in his hand, Daniel was excited to tell his Mum about the Halloween party at school. He'd always seen the houses decorated with pumpkins and cobwebs but had never actually been trick or treating himself.

"Mum, mum, please can I go to the Halloween party?" Daniel pleaded.

Mum read the leaflet carefully and saw that the party was straight after school on Thursday. After thinking about it, she agreed that it would be fun for Daniel to go to the party.

"We'll need to make a costume for you though because it's a fancy dress party," explained Mum.

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Daniel chose a monster outfit for the Halloween party. After a quick trip to the charity shop, his parents helped him alter the trousers and T-shirt they had bought. All that was left was to get some green face paint and Daniel was ready.

"Daniel, would you like to go trick or treating after the Halloween party?" Mum asked.

She'd chatted to some of the other parents and they'd agreed that now the children were all a little older, it would be a good opportunity to take them in their costumes to visit a few houses to trick or treat.

"You know we should only visit houses which are decorated with pumpkins, don't you?" Daniel reminded his mum.

"That's right," agreed Mum, "people put decorations out to show that they are happy for trick or treaters to knock on the door. What else do we need to remember?"

Daniel thought carefully about what his teacher had told him. He remembered that they shouldn't go too late, in case people were nervous about answering their doors and that they should think of some fun, little tricks to play such as telling jokes or simple magic tricks.

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Thursday soon arrived and Daniel and his friends couldn't stop chattering about the party and trick or treating. They had all made fantastic costumes and were planning to put on some face paint later too. First, they had to concentrate on their lessons but luckily their teacher had planned plenty of Halloween themed fun, including making masks, for the party later.

As soon as the bell had rung, the children raced into the hall for their party.

The time passed quickly and Daniel had a great time apple bobbing and dancing with his friends.

"Come on," called Mum, "time for trick or treating!"

As well as Daniel, his friends Sally and Tyler went looking for houses decorated for trick or treaters. They took it in turns to knock on the door and shout "Trick or Treat" when the door was opened. It was a good job they had prepared a few tricks to show people who asked! Lots of people laughed at their silly jokes and enjoyed their magic tricks and very quickly the children had plenty of treats to take home with them.

Daniel noticed it was getting dark and remembered about not knocking on doors too late.

"We should probably go home soon," Mum said, clearly thinking the same thing, "Let's visit one last house."

"It's been great fun, Mum, can we do it again next year?" asked Daniel.

"I suppose so," replied Mum, "you've probably got enough sweets here to last you until then anyway!"



Questions

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- Face painting.
- Carve pumpkins.
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8. Find and copy the name of the game they played at the party.

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