

Trick or Treat

Daniel was excited to tell his Mum about the Halloween party at school. His teacher had given him a leaflet about it and about decorating houses with pumpkins and cobwebs.

“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.

“We’ll need to make a costume for you because it’s a fancy dress party,” explained Mum.

...

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 had agreed with Daniel’s friend 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 should we remember?”

Daniel remembered that his teacher had also told them 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.

...



Thursday arrived and Daniel and his friends had all made fantastic costumes. First, they had to concentrate on their lessons but luckily, their teacher had planned 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. Daniel had a great time apple bobbing and dancing with his friends and before he knew it, the party was over.

“Come on,” called Mum, “time for trick or treating!”

Daniel and his friends Sally and Tyler took it in turns to knock on doors of decorated houses and shouted “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 sweets to take home with them.

“We should probably go home soon,” Mum said, noticing that it was getting dark, “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

1. When was the Halloween party? Tick one.

- At the weekend.
- On Friday.
- On Thursday.
- During the school holidays.

2. What costume did Daniel make? Tick one.

- A monster costume with green face paint.
- A wizard costume with purple stars and moons.
- A monster costume with red face paint.
- A vampire costume with fangs.

3. Match up the sentences.

Daniel said they should only
Mum asked if Daniel
They shouldn't knock

wanted to go trick or treating.
on doors too late in the evening.
visit houses decorated with pumpkins.

4. Find and copy one thing they could do as a "trick".

5. What had their teacher planned to do in preparation for the party? Tick one.

- Face painting.
- Carve pumpkins.
- Make cobweb decorations.
- Make Halloween masks.

6. What game did Daniel and his friends play at the party? Tick one.

- Apple bobbing.
- Pass the parcel.
- Musical statues.
- Duck, duck, goose.

7. What did the children take home with them?

8. Find a sentence which shows Daniel enjoyed trick or treating.

Answers

1. When was the Halloween party? Tick one.

- At the weekend.
- On Friday.
- On Thursday.**
- During the school holidays.

2. What costume did Daniel make? Tick one.

- A monster costume with green face paint.**
- A wizard costume with purple stars and moons.
- A monster costume with red face paint.
- A vampire costume with fangs.

3. Match up the sentences.

Daniel said they should only	wanted to go trick or treating.
Mum asked if Daniel	on doors too late in the evening.
They shouldn't knock	visit houses decorated with pumpkins.

4. Find and copy one thing they could do as a “trick”.

They could tell jokes or perform magic tricks.

5. What had their teacher planned to do in preparation for the party? Tick one.

- Face painting.
- Carve pumpkins.
- Make cobweb decorations.
- Make Halloween masks.**

6. What game did Daniel and his friends play at the party? Tick one.

- Apple bobbing.**
- Pass the parcel.
- Musical statues.
- Duck, duck, goose.

7. What did the children take home with them?

They took home plenty of sweets which they had been given.

8. Find a sentence which shows Daniel enjoyed trick or treating.

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