

Halloween Safety Tips

- 🍬 Go only into familiar neighborhoods, and stop only at houses that are well lit.
- 🍬 Carry flashlights and use reflective tape on clothing and bags.
- 🍬 Walk, do not run, on sidewalks, not streets. If there are no sidewalks, walk on the left side of the road, facing traffic.
- 🍬 Slow down when approaching driveways to avoid exiting or entering cars, and do not run out between cars.
- 🍬 Discard commercially produced candy if the wrapper is loose or the seal has been broken.
- 🍬 Examine the outside of fruit for any suspicious cuts or holes. Wash and slice it into small pieces, checking for inedible objects.
- 🍬 If anything is suspicious about treats, report this to the police or other appropriate authorities.
- 🍬 When in doubt, throw it out.

Alternatives to Candy Treats

- 🍬 Baseball cards or other sports cards
- 🍬 Modeling clay
- 🍬 Coloring books, crayons, magic markers
- 🍬 Yo-yos
- 🍬 Holiday pencils, pens, or erasers
- 🍬 Puzzles
- 🍬 Snack coupons to a local fast food or ice cream shop
- 🍬 Card games
- 🍬 Kites and planes





Alternatives to Trick-or-Treating

- ▶ Neighborhood party (provide games and activities, such as bobbing-for-apples or movies)
- ▶ Haunted house party or parade
- ▶ Storytelling (can take place anywhere and is perfect entertainment for children and adults)
- ▶ Harvest fairs and festivals
- ▶ Hayrides

Reminders for Children's Parties

- ▶ Choose foods that children will enjoy.
- ▶ Furniture, food, and decorations should be child-sized.
- ▶ Have plenty of supervision. One adult can handle about 10 children; use two adults if the children are in a setting outside the home.
- ▶ Remember that something that is scary and fun for adults might not be fun for children.



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