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It has roots in the Celtic festival of Sambain and the Christian holiday All Saint's Day

The name Sambain comes from Old Irish and means "summer's end". It celebrates the end of the "lighter half" of the year and beginning of the "darker half", and is sometimes regarded as the "Celtic New Year". The ancient Celts believed that the border between this world and the Other World became thin on Samhain, allowing spirits (both harmless and harmful) to pass through.



The word Halloween comes from All-Hallows-Even ("evening"), that is, the night before All Hallows Day. And the phrase All Hallows is found in Old English (ealra halgena mæssedæg, mass-day of all saints) The main symbol of Halloween is a lantern\* made of a pumpkin. In traditional Celtic Halloween festivals, it was not a pumpkin, but a turnip\*\*. Large turnips were hollowed out, carved\*\*\* with faces, and placed in windows to ward off\*\*\*\* evil spirits



\*a lantern – фонарь \*\*a turnip – репа \*\*\*to carve – вырезать \*\*\*\* to ward off – держать на расстоянии Trick-or-treating is a customary celebration for children on Halloween. Children go in costume from house to house, asking for treats such as candy or sometimes money, with the question -





Halloween costumes are traditionally modeled after monsters such as ghosts, skeletons, witches, and devils. Over time, the costum selection extended to include popular characters from fiction, celebrities.





