

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



# History of Halloween

Halloween, celebrated each year on October 31, is a mix of ancient Celtic practices, Catholic and Roman religious rituals and European folk traditions that blended together over time to create the holiday we know today. Straddling the line between fall and winter, plenty and paucity and life and death, Halloween is a time of celebration and superstition. Halloween has long been thought of as a day when the dead can return to the earth, and ancient Celts would light bonfires and wear costumes to ward off these roaming ghosts. The Celtic holiday of Samhain, the Catholic Halloween period of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day and the Roman festival of Feralia all influenced the modern holiday of Halloween. In the 19th century, Halloween began to lose its religious connotation, becoming a more secular community-based children's holiday. Although the superstitions and beliefs surrounding Halloween may have evolved over the years, as the days grow shorter and the nights get colder, people can still look forward to parades,

# How to celebrate Halloween today

In its present form has existed since Halloween XIX century, thanks to the "efforts" of the European immigrants who brought the tradition of Halloween in the U.S.. With 20 years of the last century in the U.S. came the fashion for hooliganism during Halloween - igniting trees, smashing lamps, etc. Local Boy Scouts launched against such a development this campaign, and in time his tricks were replaced with masked and begging sweets.

By the way, the tradition of tinkering lanterns out of pumpkins, which put the candle has been seen as the Irish legend of Jack the blacksmith. Twice he managed to deceive the devil, and got him to promise not to take his soul to hell. But for all the sins of Jack and his road to Paradise was not. So he is forced to wander the earth in anticipation of the Day of Judgment, and lighting his way with a piece of

On this day people do make-up and dress up as witches; ghost; devils; cats or bats.



People  
believe that  
on this day  
the souls of  
the evil  
spirits woke



*Green cats eyes  
In midnight gloom  
Fly with the witch  
On her ragged broom  
Over dark hills where  
Bonfires loom.*

*(by Myra  
Cohen Livingston)*



THERE ARE A LOT OF POEMS ABOUT

Jack-o-lantern,

Jack-o-lantern,

You are such a funny  
sight

As you sit there by the  
window,

Looking out at the  
night

You were once a sturdy  
pumpkin

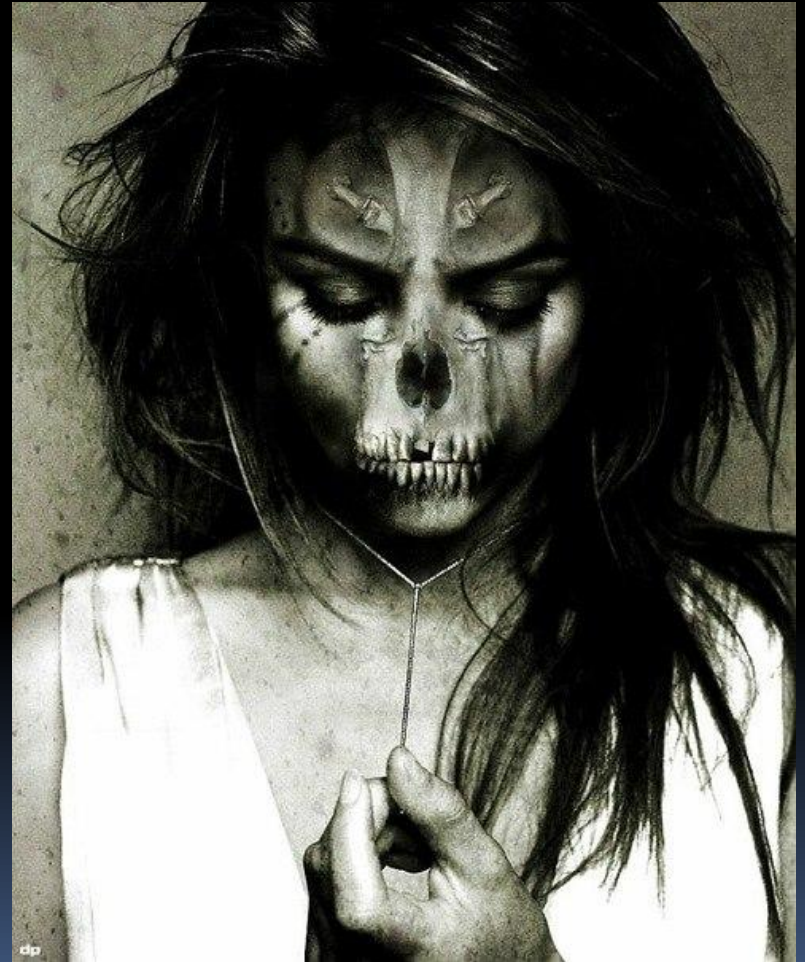
Growing on a vine

Now you are a  
Jack-o-lantern,

See the light shine .



*Old Roger is dead and he lies in his grave  
Lies in his grave, lies in his grave  
Old Roger is dead and he lies in his grave (  
Heigh ho, lies in his grave They planted an  
Apple tree over his hand  
The apples grew ripe and they all tumbled  
down  
There came and old woman a-picking them  
up  
Old Roger got up and he gave her a knock  
This made the old woman go hippity-hop.*



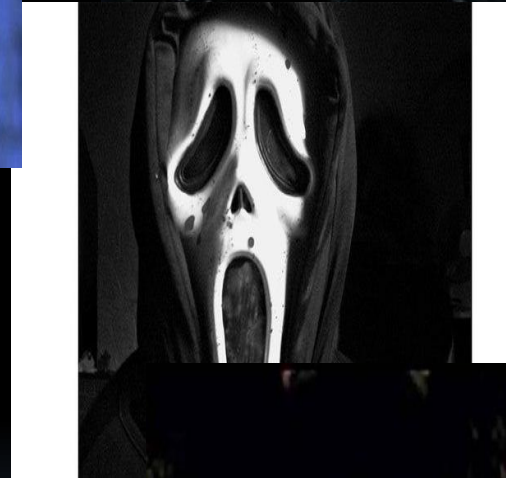
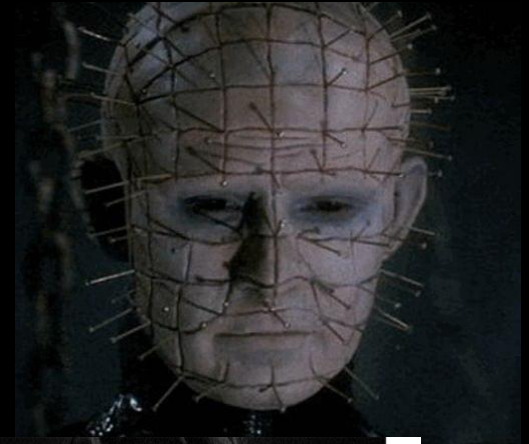


# 10 MOST FRIGHTENING HORROR FILMS

- 1. HOUSE OF WAX
- 2. Friday the 13th
- 3. darkness falls
- 4. sleepy hollow
- 5. paranormal experience 4



- 6. risen from hell
- 7. cry
- 8. bell
- 9. seekers of graves
- 10. the living dead





**THE END**