

# Halloween Party

## Lesson Plan

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### Abstract

This plan outlines a lesson plan for an Halloween party. It has instructions for four activities: origami bats, apple bobbing, a scary store and costume contest. Lesson plan written while instructor was working in Japan as an Assistant Language Teacher (ALT) from 2008 - 2010.

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## **Halloween Lesson Plan – 11/7**

### **Part 2 – Various Activities – 45 to 55 minutes**

#### **Activity 1 – Origami Bats – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade**

##### **Materials needed:**

- 50 pieces of black origami paper – 1 for each student and extras
- white craft glue or glow in the dark paint

##### **Activity:**

Teacher shows students how to make a bat out of one sheet of black origami paper. I have the directions for the teacher to follow. At the end, students add eyes to the bat with the glue or paint. Instructions: <<http://en.origami-club.com/halloween/bat/bat/index.html>>

#### **Activity 2 – Bobbing for Apples – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade**

##### **Materials needed:**

- 10 to 30 apples
- large tub filled with water

##### **Activity:**

Students take turns trying to pick an apple out of the water with their teeth. Each student has one minute. How many apples you buy depends on whether you want 1 apple for every student or just enough apples for the students that are successful in picking an apple out of the water.

#### **Activity 3 – Hal O’ Ween Scary Story – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade**

##### **Materials needed:**

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| - 1 peeled tomato                  | 1 paper towel or cloth per student |
| - 2 frozen peeled grapes or olives | 1 piece of paper per student       |
| - 1 small lump of uncooked meat    | 1 pen or pencil per student        |
| - small amount of yarn             |                                    |
| - small amount of ketchup          |                                    |
| - 1 plastic glove filled with ice  |                                    |
| - 1 dried apricot                  |                                    |
| - 1 pickle                         |                                    |
| - small amount of wet spaghetti    |                                    |

- 9 small bowls or large cups

**Activity:**

The lights should be out for this activity. Teacher tells a story and passes around food in bowls or cups. The students are not allowed to look in the cups but must feel the food with their hands. After each item has been passed around, the students will want to wipe their hands and write down their guess as to what was just being passed around. The student with the most correct guesses wins a prize. You and I should probably run this activity since it is the most complicated and I will probably need you to translate.

**Summary:**

Students spend 15 minutes in each class doing the activity and then move to the next class. Before they move to the next classroom, they will say trick or treat to the teacher and receive a piece of candy. I can get a CD of Halloween music so there will be music quietly playing in the background in each class.

**Materials needed:**

90 pieces of candy

**Final Activity – Costume Contest and Party – 20 to 45 minutes**

**Materials needed:**

- cooked pumpkin seeds
- some sort of drink – water, orange juice, etc.
- 30 pieces of paper
- 1 to 3 prizes

**Activity:**

This will take place in the main area with tables and chairs for everyone. The students will get their cooked pumpkin seeds and something to drink.

Everyone sits around and I will call each person to come up and show everyone their costume. Then we have everyone write down who they think has the best costume on a piece of paper. We can have one winner per class or one winner for the school. You decide what is best. Winners get a prize.

**Optional:**

We can also have the students vote on the best jack-o'-lantern or decorated door