

OCTOBER

4TH & 5TH GRADE

Poetry



Haunted HOUSES

Haunted houses three in a row
They look so spooky, do I dare go?
The thought of them make me shiver, so I will bring my sister Margo.

COSTUME

Costumes scattered all over my floor.
Options are endless, which one to be?

BATS AT night

SQUASHED plants

The weatherman says rain,
Oh what a pain.
My trick or treat dreams are going down the drain.

Out the window I stare
The streets are completely bare
I decide to go anyway and put on the costume I will wear.

COSTUME

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Options are endless, which one to be?

Witches Brew

She's standing by her cauldron, she's whipping up something special for you.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.

Inside is some magical elements and some you may find gross too.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.

5 A potion, a Fingernail, a secret potion, maybe an eyeball or two.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.

She adds some more ingredients, and something from her boof that is blue.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.

10 It boils all day long and starts to resemble a meaty stew.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.

She samples the slimy smelly solution that is on the menu.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.

The concoction is finally ready, it is a mustard greenish hue.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.

15 GULP! I try to swallow quickly, it's atrocious, I think I may SPEW!
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READING COMPREHENSION PASSAGES
TEST PREP, INDEPENDENT WORK, SMALL GROUP, HOMEWORK, HOMESCHOOL IN OCTOBER



BATS A NIGHT

All of you begin to leave your roost to go
I watch you take flight as the sun begins to
The dusky sky fades, getting darker and d
The black night does not keep you from catchi

5 More bats flock as the sky gets darker.
Now almost midnight, I see hundreds flying in the n
I hear your flapping wings and faint sounds
I watch the many swarm about, and shudd
Chills run down my spine even when I am here t

10 Awake at night, be
Rest w
The nearby ca-

Witches Brew

By her cauldron, she's whipping up something special for you.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.
It is some magical elements and some you may find gross too.
A little something that she likes to call witches brew.
A pointy fingernail, a secret potion, maybe an eyeball or two.
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COSTUME

clothes scattered all over my floor.
options are endless, which one to be?
ould I be scary, simple, funny, or unique?
ime to pick, no more time to procrastinat
ntil now I could not decide.
om yells up the stairs:
ntirely too many choices, I grab one an-

MARCY'S Mayhem

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5 PRINTABLE B/W & COLOR MULTIPLE CHOICE, SHORT ANSWER & WRITING REFLECTION PAGES
DIGITAL SELF-GRADING IS MULTIPLE CHOICE-TEACHER RECEIVES INSTANT GRADE

5 PRINTABLE POETRY PASSAGES

MULTIPLE CHOICE & SHORT ANSWER OPTIONS FOR PRINTABLE VERSION

1. What can the reader assume after reading "Bats at Night"?

- The narrator is counting the bats in the sky.
- The narrator is fascinated with bats and wants to learn more about them.
- The narrator watches bats every night.
- The narrator is somewhat fearful of bats.

2. Why is this poem considered free verse?

- All the lines are a different length.
- The poem uses types of figurative language.
- The poem teaches you many facts about bats.
- The poem does not rhyme.

3. Which of the phrases from the third stanza help the reader to understand what the word nocturnal means?

- Being nocturnal creatures
- Awake at night
- When the day begins to break
- It is time for rest

4. The photo of the top of the page in the poem best represents which stanza?

- Stanza 1
- Stanza 2
- Stanza 3
- None of the stanzas represent the picture that is shown.

5. The poem is written from the point of view of a _____?

- A bat
- A mosquito
- A person
- Someone that is not in the poem

6. The imagery in the second stanza (lines 5-8) most appeals to the reader's sense of -

- Sight and hearing
- Smell and hearing
- Hearing and taste
- Taste and touch

7. How does the description in lines 1 through 4 affect the reader's understanding of the setting?

- It shows that the narrator watches bats often.
- It shows that the narrator is in a familiar setting.
- It shows that the narrator is watching bats at night.
- It shows that the narrator watches bats sleep in their cave.

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1. What is the poem "Witches Brew" mostly about?

2. What type of figurative language did the author use in line 1?

3. What does the word glorious mean in the third stanza?

4. What happens in the last stanza of the poem?

5. Describe the way that stanzas 3 through 7 (lines 5-8) are similar?

6. The poet includes the bolded word in line 16 to emphasize -

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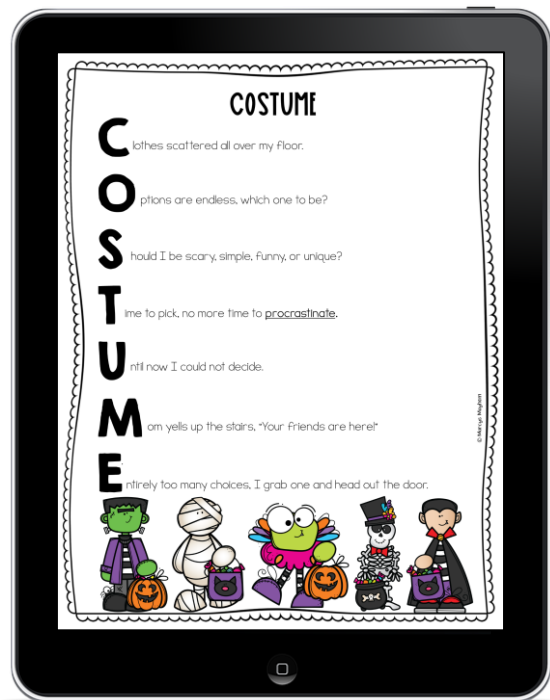
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Reflection Page

Name: _____

What do you think was the author's main purpose for writing the "Bats at Night"? What did you like or dislike about the poem?

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DIGITAL READING PASSAGES
 SELF-GRADING WITH
 MULTIPLE CHOICE
 6-7 COMPREHENSION
 QUESTIONS EACH PASSAGE

PRACTICE THESE SKILLS:

- *VISUALIZATION
- * VOCABULARY
- *INFERENCE
- *MAIN MESSAGE
- * FIGURATIVE LANGUAGE
- * POINT OF VIEW
- * TEXT EVIDENCE
- * THEME



POEM STYLES INCLUDE:

*Lyrical, Free Verse, Humorous,
Acrostic & Rhyming*