

Questions about Halloween

Come up with an “essential question” from reading newspapers or personal experiences or choose one from this list of questions about Halloween:

1. Should schools allow students to attend school dressed in costumes?
2. Should schools only forbid students to wear scary costumes?
3. Should parents allow their children to collect treats by going door to door?
4. Should households give candy as treats?
5. Should parents take their children trick or treating only to homes of people whom they know?

Viewpoints on Halloween show up in news stories, letters to the editor, other opinions on editorial pages, comics, ads and more in current newspapers and digital editions. To identify different points of view, search an e-edition’s “back issues” or “archives.”

For the question you choose as your “essential question,” give reasons from text for answering “yes” or “no” to the question. After studying the issue and discussing reasons with your classmates, write and/or illustrate your conclusion. Consider conclusions other students draw based on similar reasons

Reasons yes:

Essential Question:

Reasons no:

Conclusions: