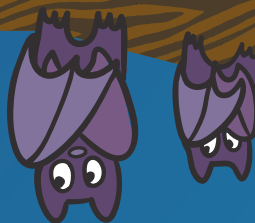


**RANGER RICK'S**  
**FALL FUN**  
**ACTIVITY BOOK**





# ORANGE AND BLACK

All of the Halloween-colored animals in each row and each column have something in common.

What is it?

**CAREFUL!**

There are extra answers.

They all . . .

- A. can fly.
- B. have scales.
- C. are reptiles.
- D. are mammals.
- E. have feathers.
- F. find their food in the water.
- G. have the letter "o" in their names.
- H. have the letter "g" in their names.



## PUMPKIN PATCH MATCH

Look closely at this pumpkin patch and find two jack-o'-lanterns carved exactly the same way.





# Animal Fun

Use the clues to figure out the name of each trick-or-treater.

1. Molly is holding a pumpkin.
2. Kevin is wearing a cape.
3. Ruby likes fruit.
4. Dakota is wearing a hat.





# JUST 4 FUN

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## SHADE A SKELETON

Color each shape in the spotlight that contains a dot to reveal a secret skeleton. Can you figure out what animal the skeleton belongs to?





CRAFT BY MICHELE REYZER

# Eerie Eyeball Cups

Creep out your friends  
with these frightfully easy  
Halloween decorations.

## What you need

(for one eyeball cup)

- 2 cardboard egg-carton cups
- craft paint
- red marker

## What you do

1. Paint the inside and outside of both cups white and let dry.
2. Paint an iris and pupil on the top of the cup. (See photo.)
3. Draw blood vessels on the outside of both cups with a red marker.
4. Fill the bottom cup with candy and cover it with the top cup.







# Pumpkin Fun

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It was a crisp fall day. A carpet of colorful leaves covered the floor of Deep Green Wood. In front of his oak tree home, Ricky Raccoon was raking up as many leaves as he could. "I'm going to make a really big leaf pile," Ricky said happily. "And then I'll jump right into the middle of it!"

When Ricky finished making his huge leaf pile, he was thirsty. So he ran inside to get a drink of water. When Ricky came back outside, he ran toward the leaf pile. But just as he was about to take a flying leap, Bizzie Beaver burst out of the leaves!

"Boo!" Bizzie shouted.







“Aaargh!” yelled Ricky. He fell down in surprise, panting and trying to calm his pounding heart. “You nearly scared me to death!” Ricky said. Then, with a grin, he added, “Good one.”

Bizzie laughed. “I sneaked into the pile when you went inside. Come on, I will help you rake the leaves into a new pile.”

As the two friends finished raking, Flora Skunk and Mitzi Mink came up. “Hey, guys,” said Flora. “When are we going to make our jack-o’-lanterns?”

“Yeah,” said Mitzi. “It’s almost Halloween.”

“You’re right!” agreed Ricky. “Let’s head over to the pumpkin patch and get our pumpkins.” Then Ricky looked at the leaf pile and said, “We’ll save the leaves for when we finish making our jack-o’-lanterns.”

The four friends ran all the way to the pumpkin patch at the edge of Sunny Meadow. “Wow,” said Flora. “Look at all the pumpkins!”

The pumpkin patch was a tangle of vines with big green leaves. And lying all over the ground were lots of bright orange pumpkins.



"I see mine!" said Bizzie, as he ran over to a nearby pumpkin. The others made their way through the vines, picking out pumpkins to carve. Then Bizzie used his sharp front teeth to cut everyone's pumpkins from the vines.

"Now let's go back to my house and make our jack-o'-lanterns," said Ricky, as he picked up his pumpkin. Ricky's friends followed him, lugging their orange prizes.

When the gang got to Ricky's house, they put their pumpkins on the picnic table. Ricky went into his house to get a bag of carving tools. They used the tools to cut out the tops of their pumpkins.

"Now comes the gooey, yucky part," said Mitzi, peeking into her pumpkin.

"You mean the fun part!" Bizzie said as he reached into his pumpkin. He pulled out a pawful of slimy seeds and stringy pumpkin insides.

When all the pumpkins were cleaned out, they were ready to be carved. "I'm going to make a scary face," said Ricky.

"I think I'm going to make a happy face," said Flora.

Mitzi decided to make a cat face on her pumpkin. Bizzie was carving an owl. They all giggled and joked as they cut out eyes, noses, and mouths.







"Whiskers are tricky," said Mitzi, working on her cat face.

"My owl's beak is pretty easy," Bizzie said. "It's just an upside-down triangle."

When the jack-o'-lanterns were done, the friends lined them up next to each other. Then they stood back to admire their creations. "They look awesome," said Ricky. "It will be fun to light them up tonight when it's dark."

"I can't wait to see that," said Flora.

"Yeah, but what should we do now?" Bizzie asked.

"I know," said Ricky. He pointed over at the pile of leaves. They all grinned. Then everyone began running as Ricky shouted, "Last one in is a rotten pumpkin!"



# Leaf Critters

## What you need

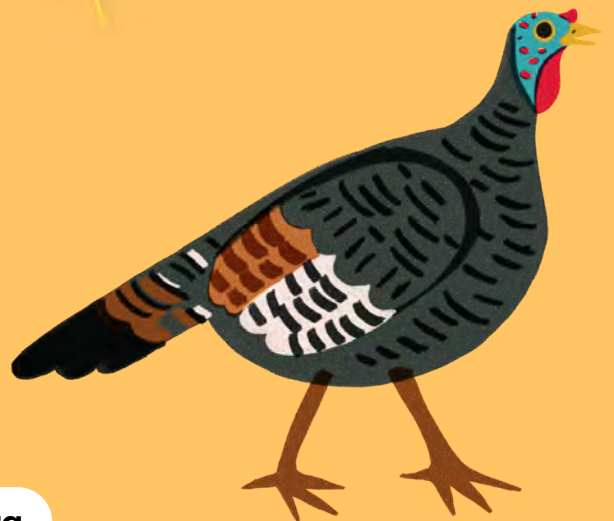
- newly fallen leaves of different colors, shapes, and sizes
- construction paper
- newspapers
- glue
- heavy books

## What you do

1. Gather some leaves and put them between layers of newspapers. Pile heavy books on top.
2. In a week, the leaves will be flat and dry. Arrange the leaves on construction paper. Think about different animals and try to create their shapes.
3. Tear off leaf pieces to make eyes and other small features.
4. When you are happy with a leafy creature, glue the leaves onto the paper.



**Use autumn leaves to make animal pictures.**





# WORD SEARCH

Find these words in the box of letters:

bat ghost owl pumpkin skeleton spider witch

g	a	l	x	t	o	p	d	b	m
h	s	k	e	l	e	t	o	n	l
o	p	u	m	p	k	i	n	p	b
o	i	p	r	a	w	p	e	b	q
w	d	g	h	o	s	t	b	a	p
l	e	m	e	k	n	c	o	t	w
n	r	x	w	i	t	c	h	d	y

What do you call  
a skeleton  
who won't work?

Lazy bones!

Why didn't the  
skeleton dance at  
the Halloween party?

He had no body  
to dance with.

Why wouldn't the  
skeleton go into  
the haunted house?

She didn't have the guts!







# THE ADVENTURES OF Bonnie & Chester

## Going Batty



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# CONNECT THE DOTS

Starting with 1, connect the dots for a Thanksgiving surprise.

