

Escape the House Answers for Digit 1

How many of these words can be made into new words by adding the suffix

-ness?

dark	ghost	pumpkin
ill	witch	sad
treat	cat	worm
spell	rude	spider

Four words can be made into new words by adding the suffix **-ness**. They are **darkness**, **sadness**, **rudeness** and **illness**.

Escape the House Answers for Digit 2

Some of these pairs of words can be turned into contractions. How many?

can not	they fly	he did
we are	trick or	I am
pumpkin patch	black cat	did not
dress up	she will	hocus pocus

Six of these words can be turned into contractions. They become **can't**, **he'd**, **we're**, **I'm**, **didn't** and **she'll**.

Escape the House Answers for Digit 3

Some of these words can be combined together to make **compound words**. How many compound words can you make in total?

cob	mid	stick	chills
witch	web	fangs	stone
night	scary	craft	moon
goblin	broom	tomb	fog

Ten of the words can be combined together to make compound words (creating **five** words).
They are **cobweb**, **midnight**, **broomstick**, **witchcraft** and **tombstone**.

Escape the House Answers for Digit 4

Can you choose the correct **co-ordinating conjunction** (**or**, **and** or **but**) to complete these sentences? How many times is the conjunction **but** used?

Next year shall I dress up as a vampire bat **or** a witch's cat?

Everything is covered in dust **and** the doors all creak eerily.

I want to go home **but** we are locked inside this creepy house!

Would you like a bowl of treats **or** would you like a nasty trick?

I heard something **and** my friend heard something too.

I love Halloween **but** this is getting seriously scary...

Do you think we'll crack the code **or** will we be locked in here forever?

Two of the sentences use the conjunction **but**.
They are 'I want to go home **but** we are locked inside this creepy house!' and 'I love Halloween **but** this is getting seriously scary...'

Escape the House Answers for Digit 5

Can you choose the correct **subordinating conjunction** (**if**, **that** or **because**) to complete these sentences? How many times is the conjunction **because** used?

I am dressing up as a spider **because** it will give my dad a fright.

We can go trick-or-treating **if** we are back before it gets dark.

They snuck into the house **that** is said to be haunted.

I like Halloween **because** it is so much fun!

We will look back and laugh at this **if** we ever get out of here!

I can't see anything in here **because** it's so dark.

Three of the sentences use the conjunction **because**. They are 'I am dressing up as a spider **because** it will give my dad a fright.', 'I like Halloween **because** it is so much fun!' and 'I can't see anything in here **because** it's so dark.'

Escape the House Answers for Digit 6

These sentences are all missing **punctuation**. Can you add in the punctuation and find out how many of these sentences are **exclamation sentences**?

Do you turn into a wolf when the moon is full?

How high the witch flew on her broomstick!

The ghost played a pesky prank on everyone.

Do you want to make a Halloween pizza with me?

The ghosts are actually quite friendly.

How many people came to the pumpkin carving party?

One of these sentences is an **exclamation sentence**. It is 'How high the witch flew on her broomstick!'

Escape the House Answer for Digit 7

The wizard's spells are not working! This is because he's forgotten to use **commas in lists**.
How many commas are missing?

"Toad, worm, frog and bat.
Turn this child into a rat!"

"Snake, flower, leaf and toe.
Turn the teacher into a crow!"

"Hair, nail, mud and a wish.
Turn your friend into a fish!"

"Lizard, beetle, cat and newt.
Turn this house into a boot!"

Eight commas are missing from the spells.

Escape the House Answer for Digit 8

How many **expanded noun phrases** can you find in this story?

There once lived two **terrible, terrifying ghosts**. They loved nothing more than playing **nasty, mean tricks** on people. One **windy, moonlit Halloween night** the ghosts decided to play the ultimate trick on some **innocent, unsuspecting children**. They hid behind a **crumbling, ancient gravestone** and when the children walked past they jumped out and shouted, "Boo!"

There are five expanded noun phrases in the story. They are **terrible, terrifying ghosts; nasty, mean tricks; windy, moonlit Halloween night; innocent, unsuspecting children** and **crumbling, ancient gravestone**.

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Answers for Digit 9

There are lots of **common exception words** spelt incorrectly in this story. How many spelling mistakes can you spot?

Darren invited **evrybodee** in his class to his house for an apple-bobbing party. He warned the **childrin** to wear **owld klothes** because they might get wet. It was a lot of fun bobbing for apples but **mowst** of them got covered in **warter!** If you got a **hwole** apple you could eat it with **shugar**. It was like **Krismas!**

There are **nine** spelling mistakes in the story. The correct spellings are: **everybody, children, old, clothes, most, water, whole, sugar, Christmas.**

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Answers for Digit 10

How many of these sentences are written in the **past progressive tense**?

The witch rides her broomstick past the moon.
(simple present tense)

We went trick-or-treating last year and it was fine!
(simple past tense)

The children are looking for the last clue.
(present progressive tense)

We were looking all over the house for the final clue.
(past progressive tense)

I looked in the basement. **(simple past tense)**

The clue was hiding inside a dusty chest.
(past progressive tense)

We are going to get out of here!
(present progressive tense)

Two sentences are written in the past progressive tense. They are '**We were looking all over the house for the final clue.**' and '**The clue was hiding inside a dusty chest.**'