

# NLG NEWS

10/19-10/23/2020

Happy Fall! We talked last week about all of the changes that happen during fall. One of the best things about fall is....**Pumpkins!**

You may start seeing more **pumpkins** during this time of year.



**Pumpkins** are included in many things like...

## 1. A Pumpkin Patch!

A **pumpkin patch** is usually a big field that has lots of **pumpkins**. They start as tiny **seeds**, then they grow from a



**vine**. As they grow, they get very **large** and **round**. When we go to the **pumpkin patch**, we can take home a **pumpkin**. This is called **pumpkin picking!**

## 2. Halloween!

We see lots of **pumpkins** around Halloween time. A fun thing to do is to

**carve**



**pumpkins**. A

**pumpkin** with a face is usually called a **jack-o-lantern!**

## 3. In desserts!

In this time of year, we see lots of **pumpkin flavored** treats and desserts. Some peoples' favorites include

**pumpkin pie** or **pumpkin bread**.

They are delicious!



***Have you been to a pumpkin patch? Do you carve pumpkins? Do you like pumpkin desserts?***

# Comprehension Mad Libs

Use the News story to fill in the blanks to correctly answer the comprehension questions. If able, the member can also fill in the Mad Libs spots!

- A \_\_\_\_\_ is a pumpkin with a face carved into it.  
What?
- We see pumpkins during the season of \_\_\_\_\_.  
Season
- We can find lots of pumpkins at the \_\_\_\_\_.  
Where?
- A fun thing to do is \_\_\_\_\_ pumpkins and make faces.  
What doing?
- Pumpkin \_\_\_\_\_ and pumpkin \_\_\_\_\_ are yummy desserts.  
Food Food
- Pumpkins start as \_\_\_\_\_ seeds then grow to be very \_\_\_\_\_.  
adjective size
- Pumpkins grow on a \_\_\_\_\_.  
What?

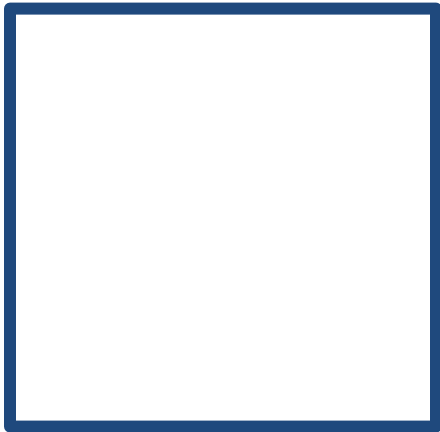
Word Bank (use some of these terms to complete the red blanks):

Vine	Bread	Pumpkin patch	Carving
Tiny	jack-o-lantern	pie	Fall
Large			

# 5 Pictures:

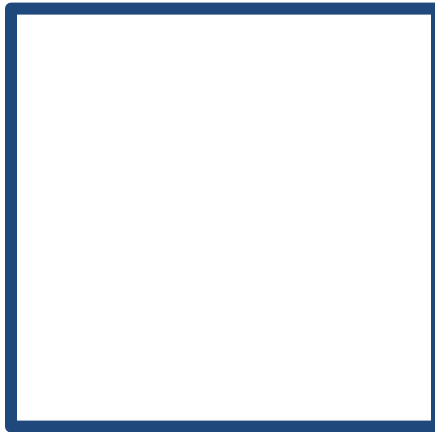
Draw, find on device, cut out a picture, find a picture on the internet, etc. related to the topic. You can use the word bank or think of different words on your own!

**Word Bank:** pumpkins, pumpkin patch, jack-o-lantern, vine, seeds, round, large, pumpkin pie, pumpkin picking, carving



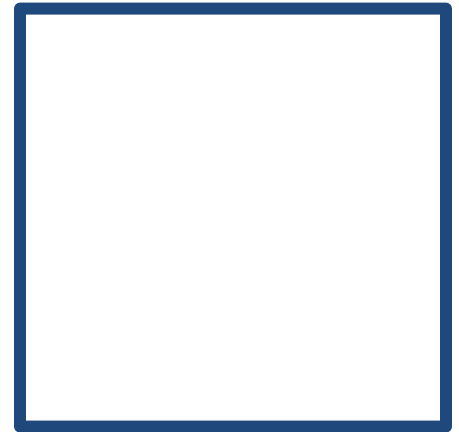
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**Pumpkins**



**Vine**



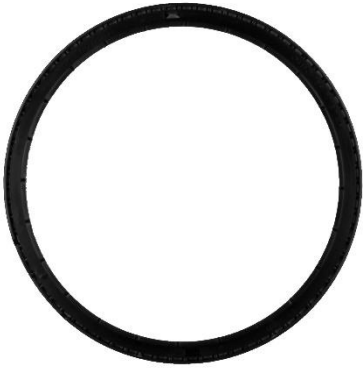
**Seeds**



**Pumpkin pie**



**Jack-o-lantern**



**Round**



**Pumpkin picking**



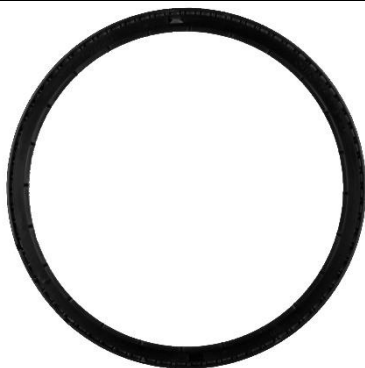
**Carving**



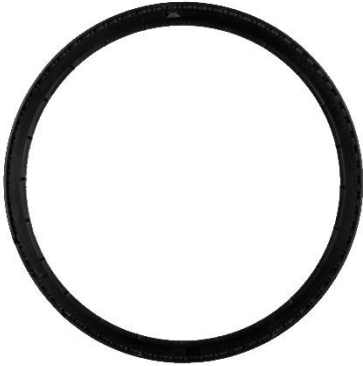
**Large**



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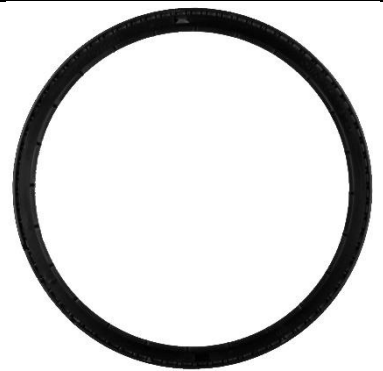


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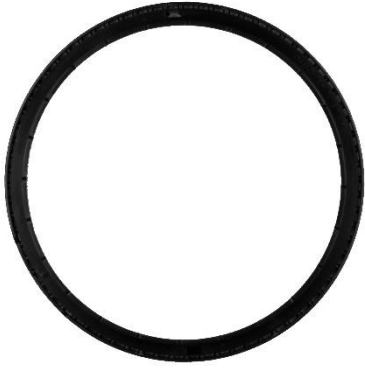




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# Categories

**Instructions:** Have each member draw a line to match the question with the corresponding picture. If drawing a line is difficult, feel free to encourage members to point to the corresponding picture.



Things that are  
**ROUND**

Things that are  
**NOT  
ROUND**



## Concepts

**Activity:** Discuss the pictures on the page and ask members to select the corresponding answers to the questions that explore basic concepts.



How many **LARGE** pumpkins do you see?

How many **SMALL** pumpkins do you see?

How many **MEDIUM** pumpkins do you see?



Count the number of pumpkins that are **HAPPY**.

Count the number of pumpkins that are **SCARED**.

Count the number of pumpkins that are **ANGRY**.



## Answering Wh- Questions

**Instructions:** Show a member the picture and talk about what you see. Ask them the corresponding wh- questions, looking for an appropriate answer.



Who is carving pumpkins? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the boy doing? \_\_\_\_\_

Where are they carving? \_\_\_\_\_

When do you carve pumpkins? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you make a face on a pumpkin? \_\_\_\_\_

# Conversation Starters:

The staff can assist members in having a conversation about the topic. These questions are intended to initiate the conversation, please elaborate to support on topic responses.

**Have you ever carved a pumpkin?**

**Where do you see pumpkins?**

**Have you ever been to a pumpkin patch? How many pumpkins did you pick?**

**What is your favorite thing about pumpkins or the Fall?**