

Objective

By the end of this lesson, Daniella and Alisia will explore the themes of Halloween through art, language, and history. They will create a Halloween-themed art project, write a spooky story, and learn about the origins of Halloween traditions, especially in relation to holiday parks like Blue Dolphin Holiday Park Haven.

Materials and Prep

- Paper and colored pencils or crayons
- Notebook or journal for writing
- Access to a computer or tablet (optional for research)
- Knowledge about Halloween history (you can share this during the lesson)

Activities

1. **Halloween Art Project:** Daniella and Alisia will create a Halloween-themed drawing or painting. They can depict their favorite Halloween symbols, like pumpkins, ghosts, or witches. Encourage them to use bright colors and be as creative as they want!
2. **Spooky Story Writing:** The students will write a short spooky story set in a holiday park. They can include characters like friendly ghosts or mischievous pumpkins. This activity will help them practice their writing skills while having fun with storytelling.
3. **Halloween History Exploration:** Together, you will discuss the history of Halloween, focusing on its origins and how it is celebrated today, especially in holiday parks. This can include talking about traditions like trick-or-treating and costume parties.

Talking Points

- "Did you know that Halloween has roots in ancient festivals? It started as a way to celebrate the end of harvest season!"
- "What are some of your favorite Halloween symbols? Let's think about how we can include them in our art project!"
- "When you write your spooky story, think about what makes a story exciting. Do you want it to be funny, scary, or maybe a little bit of both?"
- "Holiday parks like Blue Dolphin often have special events for Halloween. What kind of activities do you think they might have?"
- "Trick-or-treating is a fun tradition! Why do you think kids love going door to door for candy?"
- "Costumes are a big part of Halloween! If you could dress up as anything, what would it be and why?"
- "Do you know any Halloween songs or movies? How do they make you feel about the holiday?"
- "What do you think is the most exciting part of Halloween? Is it the decorations, the candy, or something else?"
- "How do you think Halloween is different in other countries? Let's explore some fun facts!"
- "Remember, Halloween is all about having fun and being creative. So let your imagination run wild!"