




Pumpkin & Halloween Ideas



Scooping out a pumpkin: talk together about what it feels like inside, the colour, the seeds. Make pumpkin soup with the flesh if you're feeling adventurous...

Matching black silhouette Halloween shapes: encourage the matching of shapes to the actual objects. This helps develop later reading skills, such as recognising the shape of letters and words.

Making spiders from black and orange playdough: support children with making spiders and talking together about them. Do they like spiders?



Sing songs such as 'Incy Wincy spider' and 'Little Miss Muppet'.



Playing with red jelly made with lemonade: This will look really horrible but this is a new texture to feel and talk about!

Playing with 'witch's brew' in a large tray - outside or in the kitchen or bathroom: use mini beasts if you have any to make a witches brew of 'spider soup' or 'frog tea'. Add saucepans and big spoons and talk together about what could go into the magic sup. This could include pumpkin insides or jelly.

Making witch's hats: make coned hats from black paper, and pretend to be witches or other spooky characters. Talk together about where children would go if they could fly.

Share a book such as: *Funnybones* | *The Very Busy Spider* | *Meg and Mog* books | *Room on the Broom*

