



## CREATE A SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN AT HOME

Make this Halloween epic! Start planning your celebration with the help of Goodwill®. Take a look at some unique ideas to celebrate Halloween this year. And, don't forget to visit your [local Goodwill](#) for the costumes and supplies you need to make this year's Halloween as fun as ever!

### HAVE A TRICK-OR-TREAT CANDY HUNT.

Create a trick-or-treat scavenger hunt by providing clues or a treasure map for kids to find candy and prizes. This fun party activity is especially good if there are a wide range of ages at your Halloween or pumpkin carving party—and everyone gets some candy! Get the kids involved ahead of time by asking them to get crafty and decorate Easter eggs to hold all the special treats. ***Bonus – This is a great activity for teens to bring with them when babysitting in October. Just don't give little kids too much sugar before bedtime!***

### COSTUMES. COSTUMES. COSTUMES.

Can't decide on just one costume? Does your little one want to be a princess AND a super hero AND a doctor AND a lion? Don't limit yourself! Decide on family theme nights during October and turn a one-night holiday into fun all month-long. Visit Goodwill for limitless costume options. Decide on a family theme or let everyone's individual styles come out. Let the kids invite a friend for even more fun. ***Bonus – Now that we're experts at video chatting with distant family members, invite Grandma and Grandpa to vote on the best costume (if they have the heart to choose!)***

### UP-CYCLE THE MASK.

You may have a stash of pandemic masks at your house. Transform a simple mask into a robot, spooky character, or your kids' favorite animal. Grab some craft supplies like fabric paints, googly eyes, and decorate.

### CHALLENGE EVERYONE TO DECORATE THEIR BEDROOM DOORS.

What better way to dress-up the house for Halloween than letting each family member decorate their door for Halloween. Watch their creativity as regular doors turn into entrances to enchanted realms, portals to outer space, or doorways into spooky mansions! But, don't stop at just the doors in your house...

### **CREATE YOUR OWN SCARY STORY.**

Give everyone a few days to write their own scary story. Set up a podium to read your spooky stories. Challenge them to create drama through delivering their story with sound effects and stage props from Goodwill. ***Bonus - Take this a step further and make a scary movie! You'll find plenty of costumes, DIY decor and props at Goodwill.***

### **FORMALLY INVITE EVERYONE TO A SPOOKY DINNER.**

Transform a typical family dinner with family and maybe a few close friends into a meal fit for a ghoul. Send invites for your guests to formally attend a Halloween-themed dinner. Set the mood with dramatic lighting, a Halloween music playlist, and fill the dining room with a variety of Halloween decor (you can find plenty at Goodwill). Then wow your family and friends with yummy eats that fit the theme, like worms and eyes (spaghetti and meatballs), mummy meatballs (meatballs wrapped in dough), or eyeball pasta (add mozzarella cheese balls topped with olives for the "eyes"). ***Bonus – Get your kids involved with preparing some of the food – like dessert.***

### **GET YOUR PET INVOLVED.**

Don't leave your pet out of the Halloween fun. Let Sassy the cat's inner lion come out. Tap into Fido's secret crime-fighting powers and transform him into a superhero.

### **SET UP A HALLOWEEN PHOTO BOOTH.**

Add some special photos to the memory books and provide plenty of giggles by building a photo booth to snap some fun and creative pictures. Find a corner or empty wall to decorate with a Halloween backdrop. Grab a few fun props from Goodwill --like hats, scarves, and jewelry to create all sorts of festive photo ops in your custom photo booth!

### **GO SIMPLE AND WATCH HALLOWEEN MOVIES.**

Feeling short on energy? There are plenty of fun flicks for a younger audience or some pretty serious scary movies for everyone else. Check your Goodwill's movie selection for some Halloween DVDs. Then jazz up the experience by popping some popcorn and snacking on some Halloween cookies. ***Bonus – Set up an outdoor projector, grab some blankets, and view your movies in your backyard. Depending on what kind of movie you choose it could be an extra fun experience for young kids or an extra spooky experience for teens! Warning: If you pick a classic old horror movie, your teens will laugh with you about the terrible special effects.***

### **BE A WINNER.**

No matter how you celebrate Halloween, you can be a winner. [Enter to win](#) a \$100 gift card to Goodwill each week in October. [Join our email list](#) to be the first to know about sales and specials, and to discover new Halloween ideas!

