

HOW TO CARVE A Pumpkin FOR HALLOWEEN

Want to make your own spooky pumpkin for Halloween?
Follow these easy steps to carve a jack-o'-lantern that's fun and safe!

What You'll Need:

- **A pumpkin**
(choose one with a flat bottom)
- **A marker**
- **A small, sharp knife**
(grown-ups should help with this!)
- **A big spoon or ice cream scoop**
- **A bowl for the seeds**
- **A light**
(a candle or battery tea light)

Try using
cookie cutters
to make
shapes!

Tips & Tricks:

Keep your pumpkin in the fridge when not on display to help it last longer.

Rub a little Vaseline on the cut edges to keep it from drying out.

Don't forget, grown-ups should always help with the knife parts!

Step-by-Step Carving:

1. Cut the top off

Ask an adult to help you cut a circle around the stem. This is the lid!

2. Scoop out the inside

Use a spoon to take out the seeds and stringy bits. Save the seeds - you can roast them for a snack!

3. Draw your face

Use a marker to draw a fun or spooky face on the pumpkin.

4. Carve the face

With help from an adult, cut along your lines to make the eyes, nose, and mouth.

5. Add a light

Put a candle or battery light inside and pop the lid back on. Ta-da!

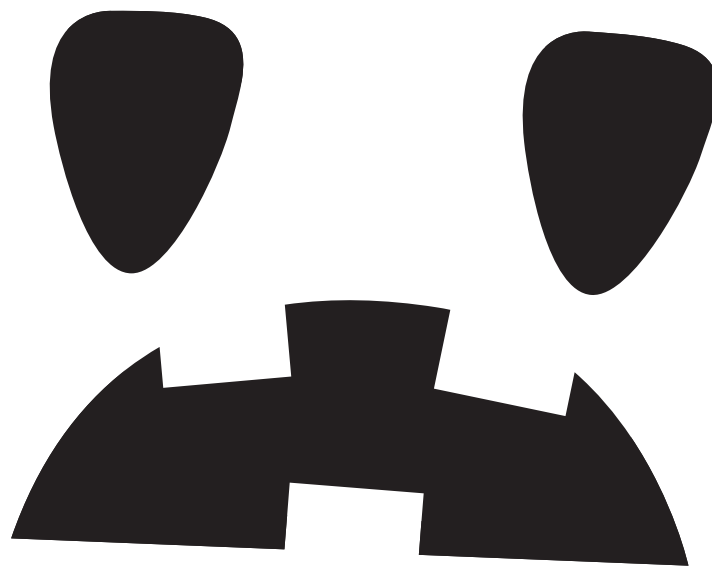
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Visit a
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your own
pumpkin!



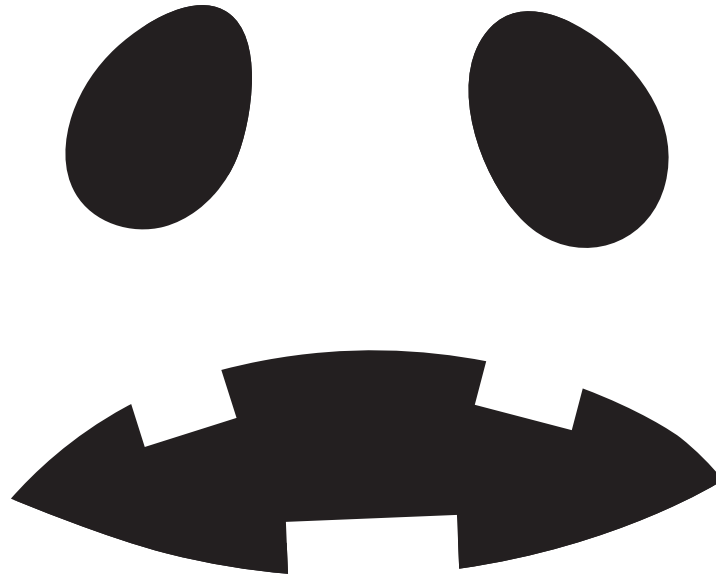
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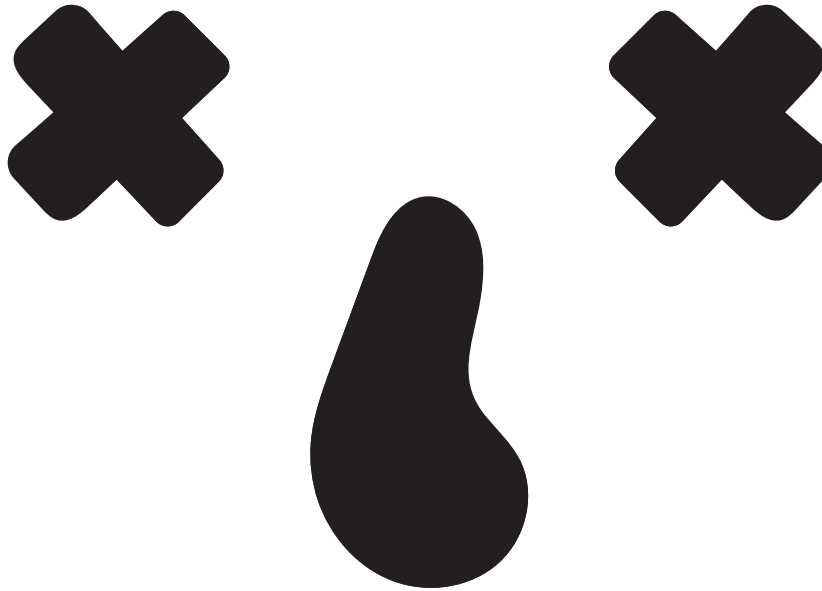
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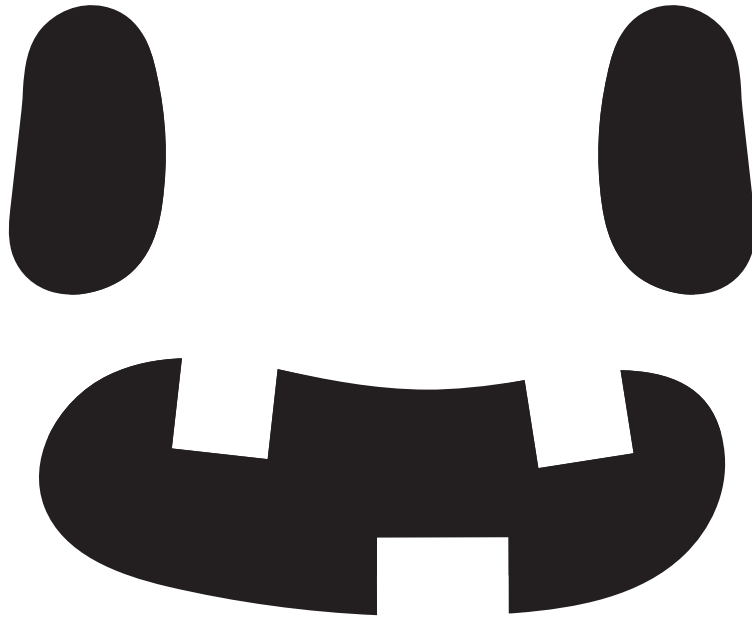
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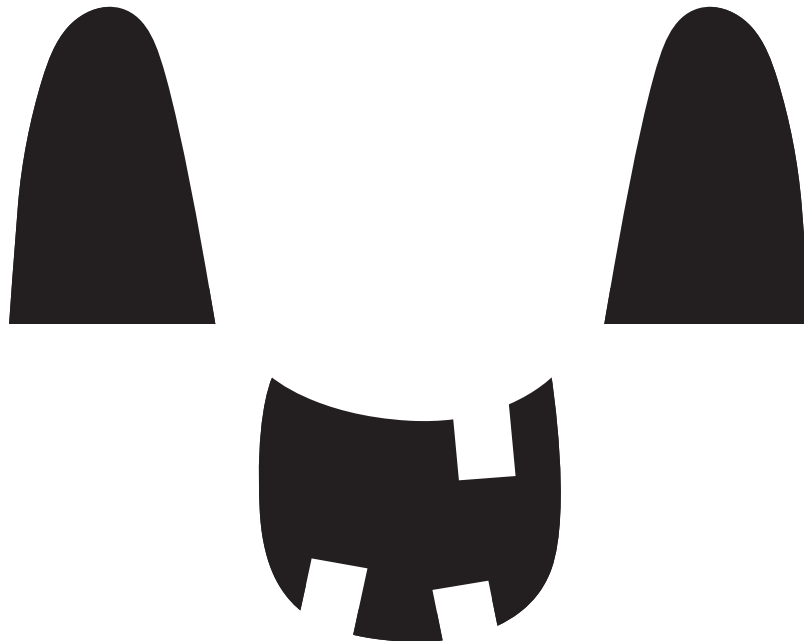
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