

- Halloween -



Halloween is the first day / of a three-day **Christian festival** of the dead. //
Like Christmas **Eve** before Christmas, / Halloween, shortened from All **Hallows**
Eve,/ is before All Hallows Day, / or All **Saints** Day, / when people from Poland to
Brazil / gather at family **graves**, / light candles and **pray**. //

Saints are holy men and women of God, / known for healing the sick, /
defending the helpless, / and **casting out** evil. // Why, then, is Halloween famous /
for American **celebrations** / with horror and monsters? // Many think scary things
must be non-Christian, / but **recent scholarship** shows / how it all fits together. //
The image is of light **overcoming** darkness, / a common Christian **motif**; / holy beats
horror. //

Though most Americans forget the holy, / even the return to normal after
Halloween / has a similar meaning. // The scary times will end. // It's okay to be a
little crazy sometimes. // Light comes in the morning. // All will be well. //
Remember the dead. // Now go have some fun! //

ハロウィーンは初日である / 3日間にわたるキリスト教の死者の祭りの// クリスマス
前のクリスマス・イブのように / ハロウィーンは「All Hallows Eve」の省略で / 諸聖人の日 (All
Hallows Day) の前 / つまり万聖節 (All Saints Day) の前に行われ / ポーランドからブラジルま
での人々が / 家族の墓に集まり / ロウソクを灯し、祈りを捧げる//
聖人とは神の聖なる男女のことで / よく知られている、病人を癒し / 無力な人を守
り / 悪を追い払うことで// では、なぜハロウィーンは有名なのだろうか/ アメリカの祝祭として/
ホラーやモンスターと共に?// 多くの人は、怖いものは非キリスト教的なものに違いないと考
える / しかし最近の研究は示している / どのように一つのまとまりをなしているか//
そのイメージは、光が闇に打ち勝つという / キリスト教によくあるモチーフであり / つまり、聖
なるものが恐るべきものに打ち勝つということだ//
ほとんどのアメリカ人は聖なるものを忘れているが / ハロウィンが終わって平常に戻る
ことにも / 同じような意味がある// 怖い時は終わる// たまには少々クレイジーになってもい
いのだ// 光は朝にやってくる// すべてはうまくいく(万事塞翁が馬、すべては生みの苦しみだ)//
死者を忘れないで// さあ、楽しんでおいで!!//

Vocabulary and Phrases

Christ	キリスト	defend	守る
festival	お祭り	helpless	無力
eve	前夜祭	cast out	追い払う
hallow	神聖化/聖なるものとする	celebration	お祝い
holy	聖なる	recent	最近
saint	聖人	scholarship	学問
grave	お墓	overcome	乗り越える
candle	ろうそく	motif	モチーフ
pray	祈る		

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【Listen & Fill Blank】

Halloween is the _____ day of a three-day Christian _____ of the dead. Like Christmas Eve before Christmas, _____, _____ from All Hallows Eve, is before All Hallows Day, or All Saints Day, when people _____ to _____ gather at family graves, light candles and pray.

Saints are holy men and women of God, known for _____ the sick, defending the _____, and casting out evil. Why, then, is Halloween famous for American celebrations with horror and _____? Many think scary things must be non-Christian, _____ recent scholarship shows how it all fits together. _____ of light overcoming darkness, a common Christian motif; holy _____ horror.

Though most Americans _____ the holy, even the return to _____ after Halloween has a similar meaning. The scary times will end. It's okay to be _____ sometimes. Light comes in the morning. All will be well. _____ the dead. Now go have some fun!

【Q&A / A&Q】

Question 1: What do people do on All Saints Day?

Question 2: What does Halloween mean?

Question 3: Do you like Halloween? Why, or why not?

Ask 1: 答えが「saints」である質問を英語で書いてください

Ask 2: Monsters についての質問を英語で書いてください

Ask 3: 本文について知りたいことを英語で1つ書いてください

Sample Answer 1: Visit graves, light candles, and pray.

Sample Answer 2: Scary times end. It's OK to be a little crazy sometimes. Remember the dead. Have fun. Holy beats horror.

Sample Answer 3: Yes. I like parties and candy. I like monsters and being crazy.
No. I think it is scary. I dislike the costumes. I prefer quiet.

Sample Question 1: What is the term for holy men and women of God?/
How do we describe people who heal the sick, cast out evil, and defend the helpless?/
Who do people celebrate on All Hallows Day?/ etc...

Sample Question 2: Where do people famously celebrate Halloween with monster imagery? /
What monster is the strongest?/
Why do saints and monsters usually appear together?/ etc...

Sample Question 3: Why would scary things be non-Christian? /
How do people celebrate Halloween in Brazil? /
What is the biggest Halloween celebration in the world? /
etc...