

The Halloween Party

Ken, Tom, Jane and Cherry are good friends in the same class. They have learnt about Halloween from their favourite teacher, Ms Lai. She has taught them English for a couple of years. They organize a Halloween Party at school with a 'Trick or Treat' activity, best costume contest and other fun activities. Everyone has a good time. When it is over, the cleaning up begins. Ms Lai gets a surprise when she opens the closet.

Characters

Ken, Tom, Jane and Cherry are good friends in the same class. Ken is the joker in the group and likes to make people laugh. Tom looks serious but he also likes to play jokes. Jane and Cherry are best friends. Jane is the leader while Cherry gets scared easily. They all work well together. Ms Lai is their favourite teacher. She has taught them English for a couple of years.

Ken - He is funny and playful. He likes to play tricks on people.

Tom - He looks serious but he also likes to play jokes. He has lived in the USA for 4 years.

Jane - She is a born leader. She is good at English and very talkative.

Cherry - She is Jane's best friend. She gets scared easily. She likes sweets.

Ms Lai - She is an English Teacher. She is young and likes to have fun with her students. She does not like scary things, either.



Scene 1
(In the classroom during recess)

(Everyone is in the classroom getting ready for the Halloween Party later on. They are organizing the games and activities and talking about their costumes.)

Jane: Tom, I've got these six pumpkins. What can I do with them?

Tom: *(Looking serious)* Don't you remember what Ms Lai has told us today? We're going to make Jack o' Lanterns with these pumpkins. You should carve faces into them.

Ken: Tom, can we use three of your pumpkins for a game at our party? Can we just put horrible things in them? You know, like cold spaghetti, jelly and stuff. I saw it on TV last week.

Cherry: Oh, Ken, that sounds really horrible. I think I like Christmas better than Halloween!

Jane: Oh, come on, Cherry. Don't be scared! Halloween is fun.

(Ken comes up behind Jane with a skeleton mask on and jumps in front of her.)

Ken: Boo!

(Cherry jumps in fright.)

Cherry: Ahh! You scared me, Ken!

Tom: Come on, Cherry, that's Halloween.

Jane: Cherry, what costume are you going to wear at the party? I'm coming as a witch in black and glowing green, e-hee-hee-heeee!

(Jane makes a scary face like a witch.)



Cherry: Oh, Jane, I'm coming as a nice witch in glowing white with a magic wand. I can't wait to wear my costume and give out a lot of treats.

Ken: Don't forget about the tricks, Cherry.

Tom: Yeah, Cherry, at Halloween we have to play 'Trick or Treat'. If you don't get a treat, you have to trick the person.

Ken: I can't wait to scare Ms Lai in my ghost costume. She doesn't like scary things.

Jane: This Halloween Party is going to be so much fun! Everyone is going to enjoy it.

Scene 2

(In the hall decorated for the Halloween Party)

(The party is going well with scary music, students calling out in fright and laughter. Cherry is waiting to play the guessing game. The person in front of Cherry screams loudly, as she has just pulled a false bull's eye out of the pumpkin, full of cold spaghetti.)

Ken: Come on Cherry, it's your turn now. See if you can get a trick or a treat. She has just got a big bull's eye with slime all over it.

(Ken puts his hand into the pumpkin, pulls out a wet eye and laughs loudly. Cherry screams and runs away waving her glowing magic wand.)

Tom: Jane, Trick or Treat!

Jane: What are you supposed to be? You don't look scary to me at all.

Tom: I'm Ding-dong, the robot-like cat. Anyone can see I'm Ding-dong in this blue and white costume! Here, you can put the treat in my magic pocket.



(Tom opens his magic pocket in his costume and waits for his treat.)

Jane: *(Putting a sweet in Tom's magic pocket)* Treat. Happy Halloween!

(Jane speaks into the microphone and gets everyone's attention.)

Jane: Happy Halloween! Everyone, please listen. Ms Lai is going to announce the winner of the best costume contest in a minute. Will it be the scariest one, Ms Lai?

(Ms Lai takes the microphone.)

Ms Lai: Happy Halloween, everyone! What a wonderful party you've organized! Jane, you're the most wicked witch of the day. But sorry, Jane, you're not the winner. The best costume goes to the little white witch with the glowing magic wand. That's Cherry!

(Cherry jumps in delight and runs to the stage where Ms Lai gives her the prize. Everyone claps but they do not like Ms Lai's choice of a white witch at Halloween. They want the scariest costume.)

Tom: Ken, I thought you would win for sure in your great ghost costume. I'm scared just looking at you.

Ken: I couldn't win because Ms Lai doesn't like ghosts. Maybe I'll win next year.

(Jane has the microphone again.)

Jane: OK, everyone, please listen. Our Halloween Party is over. I hope you've all had a good time and we look forward to the next Halloween Party. Before you leave, please help to clean up the hall. Thank you.

(Everyone claps and cheers.)



Scene 3
(In the hall cleaning up after the Halloween Party)

(The students go up to Ms Lai to play 'Trick or Treat'.)

All 4 Students: Trick or Treat, Ms Lai!

Ms Lai: Oh dear, I don't seem to have many treats left. Here you are, Tom, Jane, Cherry ... oh, Ken, I'm sorry that's it. I've nothing left! Maybe next year?

Ken: *(With a big grin on his face)* Oh, Ms Lai. Don't worry about it.

Ms Lai: OK, let's do the clean-up so that you can get home before your parents start to worry about you. I don't think we have enough brooms for this mess. Tom and Ken, can you get more brooms from the closet, please?

(Ken and Tom race off, but Tom returns quickly.)

Tom: Ms Lai, could you please come to unlock the closet door? We can't get in.

Ms Lai: Of course, Tom. I thought I had opened the door during recess.

(Everyone follows Ms Lai to the closet at the back of the stage. Ms Lai opens the door and screams. Ken is standing in the closet and his ghost costume is glowing in the dark.)

Ms Lai: Ahhhhh!

(Ms Lai turns and hugs Cherry in fright.)

Ken: *(Stepping out of the closet)* Happy Halloween, Ms Lai!

All the Students: Happy Halloween, Ms Lai! Thanks for giving us the best Halloween Party ever!



Ms Lai: Oh, Happy Halloween, everyone. I'm glad Halloween is only once a year. For the next Halloween Party, I hope you'll all wear costumes like Cherry's.

(Everyone laughs.)

