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Chapter 14 — Questions and Activities

Music: Rhythm and Beat

This chapter was a lot of fun, wasn't it? There was a big party happening on High Hallow's Eve. This party had what all good parties have — music! What's your favorite song to play at parties?

It doesn't matter if your favorite song is fast, slow or somewhere in between, all songs have a rhythm and a beat. What's the difference between a rhythm and a beat? LetsPlayKidsMusic.com explains it this way:

The beat is the steady pulse that you feel in the tune, like a clock's tick. It's the beat you'd naturally clap along to, or tap your foot to.

The rhythm is the actual sound or time value of the notes, which in a song would also be the same as the words.

This video explains it in a little more detail:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qHMDOOHJwyM. After you've learned the difference between the rhythm and beat of a song, try making your own musical instruments from this list of 19 ideas and make up your own musical masterpiece: https://redtri.com/homemade-instruments/slide/1.

Physical Fitness: Dancing

Along with the great music on High Hallow's Eve, there was dancing. It sounds like there was a lot of it, too! Dancing can be great fun and exercise. Learn a few new dance moves and have your own private dance party!

- Modern Dance Moves: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4iZPv7GY_dc
- ₱ Hip Hop Dance Moves: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JWTyO8npkOQ
- African Dance Moves: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ynkzpwUEMQ
- Dance an Irish Jig: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iHxGisr7a_I
- Beginner Ballet for Kids: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6Fz27G6WwWw





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Science: Goosebumps

As the special moment drew near, Anna got goosebumps on her arms. *Goosebumps* are small bumps that sometimes develop on your skin when you are very cold or experiencing a strong emotion, such as fear or excitement. They are called goosebumps because when it happens, our skin looks like the skin of a goose after its feathers have been plucked.

You can read this article from Kids Discover learn what happens to make our bodies get goosebumps: https://www.kidsdiscover.com/quick-reads/causes-goose-bumps/. After you've read all about it, try this science experiment and give yourself goosebumps: https://lesson-plans.theteacherscorner.net/science/experiments/muscles.php

Mini Book: In this chapter, we read about a Cedar tree. Use the resources below to add a page to your book about Cedar trees.

- Pritannica Kids Cedar Tree: https://kids.britannica.com/kids/article/cedar/352932
- Cedar Facts for Kids: https://www.softschools.com/facts/plants/cedar_facts/1280/

Social Studies: History of Halloween

Anna and Sash have shared a delightful night celebrating High Hallow's Eve when the drumalos no longer look like their usual selves. Does this sound a little familiar?

There is a holiday that many people celebrate in October. It used to be called "All Hallow's Eve," but most people say "Halloween" these days. Learn more about the history of Halloween with the resources below:

- History of Halloween Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4uI3iMZyWc
- Halloween Facts for Kids: https://kidzfeed.com/halloween-facts-for-kids/
- History of Halloween Reading Comprehension Worksheet: https://en.islcollective.com/english-esl-worksheets/vocabulary/halloween/history-halloween/74041
- History of Halloween Crossword Puzzle: https://www.twinkl.com/resource/t2-t-10000302-the-history-of-halloween-crossword
 - o Note: this site requires free registration

