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Our eerie saga begins!

Every creaking door opens to a new mystery. Dare to step through it, but beware – it's always spookier when you're alone. Take this playbook as your guide through the shadows, or toss it aside and find your own mysterious path!



Love spooky stories? This kit is crafted to help you and your kids create many mystery stories. There's no need to wander into haunted woods or explore abandoned mansions. All that's required is your family and a thirst for thrills.



Scan the QR code on the back cover to access the digital version of this playbook.

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Warnings

Every playoddiy kit is designed as a children's experience that is guided by an adult. All the described activities require adult supervision. Safety instructions for each item in the kit can be found on the item's individual packaging.



WARNING!
Choking hazard:
Small parts
Not for children
under 3 years

! **Adult supervision required** **!**





Hi, this is The Voice speaking. I'd like to remind you that the most important part of the playoddity experience is the child or children. Without them, you'll just be an adult playing games to avoid responsibilities. So put your phone away and follow the instructions in this playbook for having a great time! The activities also work without the playbook if you have your own ideas, but we suggest you have a look at ours first.



Without playbook



With playbook

Unboxing

Let's check out your spooky toolkit. The items can be used in the way described in this playbook, of course, but who can predict the spooky scenarios you'll encounter? Be prepared to adapt and let your imagination run wild on your Halloween adventure! Share with #playoddity.



Each item in the kit has a colored sticker:

- Item can be used by children and adults
- Item should be used by adults only

If any items on the list are missing or you have problems with any of the products, please get in touch with us.

Contents of this kit

- **1. Tiny night vision camera**
Record all the mysterious happenings, no matter how dark it gets.
- **2. Red camera filter**
Add to the light sources and cameras for a blood-curdling ambiance.
- **3. Fortune-telling toy**
Add an element of surprise or guidance on your adventure.
- **4. Monster hat**
Wear for a monstrous transformation.
- **5. Inflatable eyeball**
Add a spooky gaze to any room.
- **6. Hand pump**
Use for special effects.
- **7. Face UV markers**
Transform faces and bodies with spooky UV-glowing designs.
- **8. Adhesive googly eyes**
Stick them to literally anything and call it your Halloween companion or ghoul.
- **9. Pen with UV ink**
Leave secret and creepy UV-ink messages for a quest-room-style movie hunt.
- **10. Book about hand shadows**
Try eerie hand shadows to master the art of suspense.



Notes and ideas

It's just a game

To prevent real scares, talk with the kids beforehand about what will happen. Explain that everything is staged and is part of a game with no real danger involved. This is why they shouldn't cause any harm to people or objects. Consider establishing a stop word that can halt the action immediately if a child feels uncomfortable. Suggest to the children that they avoid scaring each other and instead target only the parent, who will play the role of the monster in this pretend movie. We're sure you can handle it. Scaring parents can be quite a challenge since they've seen it all, so don't forget to play along.

Save the space

Before turning off the lights, remove fragile and dangerous items from the path of the supernatural so they can survive this spooky performance.



Creepy makeup

Create characters: are you yourself or someone else? Use markers for face makeup, which will also glow under a UV-pen flashlight. Utilize these effects in the movie. Let the kids do your makeup; it'll give them special joy. Don't worry; it'll all wash off easily.

Darkness, camera, action!

Capture the moment your family transforms into monsters. Record the preparation of props and costumes; that can make for a behind-the-scenes film. Use your smartphone or tiny night vision camera. Enhance the atmosphere with red-filter lighting, a spooky playlist, and creepy body movements.

Spontaneous plot

Let the plot unfold spontaneously, becoming a surprise for the whole family. Let the fortune-telling toy guide you; just give it choices.

Hey there, spooky parent! Halloween isn't just about fun—it's an opportunity for kids to unleash their creativity, conquer fears, and boost confidence. And guess what? All of this magic takes place while bonding with family and friends. Let's make this spooky season truly unforgettable!



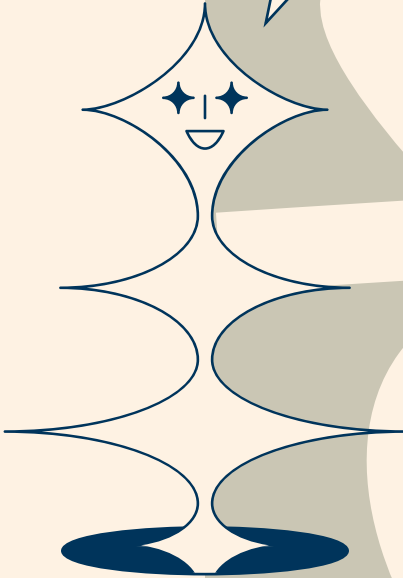
The Hat of Evil

Come up with a main monster boss who wears an eerie hat from this kit. You can pass the hat to each other, so everyone gets to be the ultimate evil for a while.

Symphony of Fear

True horror lies in sound, not just visuals. The best horror movies evoke fear through sound effects and acoustics. Creepy sound effects create a sense of threat for the characters. Google a playlist of eerie music and play it, gradually increasing the volume.

And in that very instant, a chill raced down the reader's spine, for they grasped that the adventure had commenced, and the page revealed a bone-chilling tale . . .



Surreal soundscapes

Add sounds created from everyday objects, just like they do in the movies: radio interference, the monotonous tapping of the same piano key, the creak of floorboards, the clatter of falling pots, a knife against a glass tumbler (did you just shiver as well?).

Did you know that the sound of claws popping out of Wolverine's hands is a combination of drawing a knife from its sheath, tearing apart a chicken carcass, and cracking nuts?

Not what it seems

The included pump can help not only inflate the eyeball but also create a wind effect or a strange rustling sound. Use the pump to make the candles mysteriously blow out and set objects in motion, making them dance and twirl.

What other objects from your house can you use to make special effects? Ask the child or refer to the search terms below.

Create suspense

When filming, engage the viewer's imagination. Follow Alfred Hitchcock's motto of giving your audience room to imagine. Suspense is the anticipation of something, not the thing itself. For example, in "Jaws," the shark isn't shown throughout the movie, only at the end. You can build tension with things like knocking on a door, shadows, footsteps, and adding details to the story without directly showing the horror on screen.

It's alive—good or bad?

Choose items from your surroundings and bring them to life by sticking googly eyes on them. You can try it out on anything, such as toilet paper rolls, furniture hardware, houseplants, vegetables, fruits, etc. Make them part of the story.

Monsters aren't always evil. Perhaps the kids will want to create a monster companion, not just a villain.

Monsters everywhere

Create a mini-quest: Craft mischievous monsters using googly eyes and hide them around the house. You can ask your kid to create them and then you will hide them. One of the monsters can be frozen in water and hidden in the fridge; to defeat it, children will need to break the ice or melt it.

Hidden messages

Leave concealed messages about the monsters' locations with a UV pen. Decode the messages using UV-light from the pen to discover and defeat the monsters.

Wild shadows

With the help of a red filter and tips from the book about hand shadows, create scary animals in the darkness. You can use your smartphone flashlight as a light source. By the way, lighting the face from below makes it scarier.

Fun first

Even if the movie doesn't win an Oscar, the most important thing is to have a great time. If you'd like, you can create your own version of the Oscars: movie screening, red carpet, awards, and treats for the nominated actors.

Spooky stories are my favorite! Let's embrace the unknown. Where will the story take you? You never know!



Monster munchies

If you don't feel like preparing spooky dishes, there's no need. You can enjoy regular food in an extraordinary way! Think about the location in your home that feels the most mysterious: the attic, the basement, or perhaps the bathroom with a dripping faucet. Maybe the bushes in the backyard? Eat in the dark, add creepy music and sounds, and allow the children to savor and eat with their hands. Some foods like tomatoes or peaches might be perfect for them to sink their teeth into. Illuminate their faces with flashlights from below. Don't turn off the camera!



Search terms

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karaoke ↗

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Question time

Dream up a spooky adventure: where does it take place? What are you trying to do?

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Interview with a Halloween character: who is it, what does it do, and why?

If you could create a magical potion, what would it do?

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If you could create a new Halloween tradition, what would it be?

Who knows what spooky surprises may happen on your Halloween adventure? If you find yourself using this playbook to create paper wads to throw at menacing monsters or craft a hat to shield yourself from evil wizards, fear not! You can always summon the digital version online by following the mystical QR code. As you roam the haunted website, dare to explore our other chilling kits. They're spook-tacular!

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