Halloween Cryptogram

Cryptograms are great fun, and nurture a love for the language. They get students noticing spelling and guessing vocabulary. They can be done as individual work or group work.

There are two versions of the cryptogram on this PDF. Both have the name of the cryptogram (at the top of the page) and the images on the page as clues.

The first version—on page two of this PDF—also gives the word *Halloween* in the cryptogram as a clue to get things started, and is therefore easier. If it's not already obvious to the students, just explain that if the number 16 is under an E, then *every* 16 will mark the position of an E, and they should fill in all the 16 blanks accordingly. Then they look for clues to help guess other letters or even words.

The second version, on the third and last page, does not give the word *Halloween* in the cryptogram. A lot more "educated guessing" will be needed to solve this version. (You might suggest that your students start with the one-letter word that appears four times in the cryptogram.)

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HALLOWEEN CRYPTOGRAM ANSWER

On <u>Halloween</u>, children dress up in costumes and they go out trick-or-treating. Some kids dress up as ghosts, some dress as witches. Some children dress up as vampires, and some kids dress up as skeletons.

Here we see a boy in a pirate costume and a girl dressed up as a princess.

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