

Kids! Make your very own frog-o'-lantern

Here's what you'll need:

- 1 medium to large pumpkin
- a knife or pumpkin carving tool (parental supervision required)
- a large, flat spoon
- thumb tacks
- washable marker
- tape
- votive candle or LED lamp
- frog outline (below)

Step 1

Parents may want to do this part or closely supervise. Using the knife, cut a lily-petal-shaped hole in the top of the pumpkin. You can use the washable marker to draw an outline. Angle the knife inward, so that the lid will fit once you've cleaned out the pumpkin. When finished, trim the edges of the skin from around the hole and from the lid, so that the outline of the lily-petal will be clear.

Step 2

Using the spoon, scoop out the pumpkin seeds and extra pulp from inside the pumpkin. You should also scrape away some of the inside of the pumpkin where you plan to carve your frog. That will allow the light to pass through better.

Step 3

Use the printout of the bullfrog to create an outline. Tape the printout to the pumpkin and insert the thumb tacks along the outside edge. Then remove the paper, leaving the tacks in the pumpkin. Then remove the tacks. Follow the small holes to draw your outline using your washable marker.

Step 4

Using the carving knife, cut along the outline (again, parental help is required here). You can either cut all the way through the pumpkin and push the frog shape through, or you can score along the outline and just hollow out the area inside the frog shape by scraping away the outer skin (as shown in the photo).

Step 5

Use a votive candle in a candle holder or a small LED lamp. If you use a candle, make sure that there is some room around the pumpkin lid for air to get in and smoke to escape.

Step 6

Take a picture of your completed frog-o'-lantern, send it to us at buzz@bullfrogpower.com and we'll show it in the next e-buzz.

