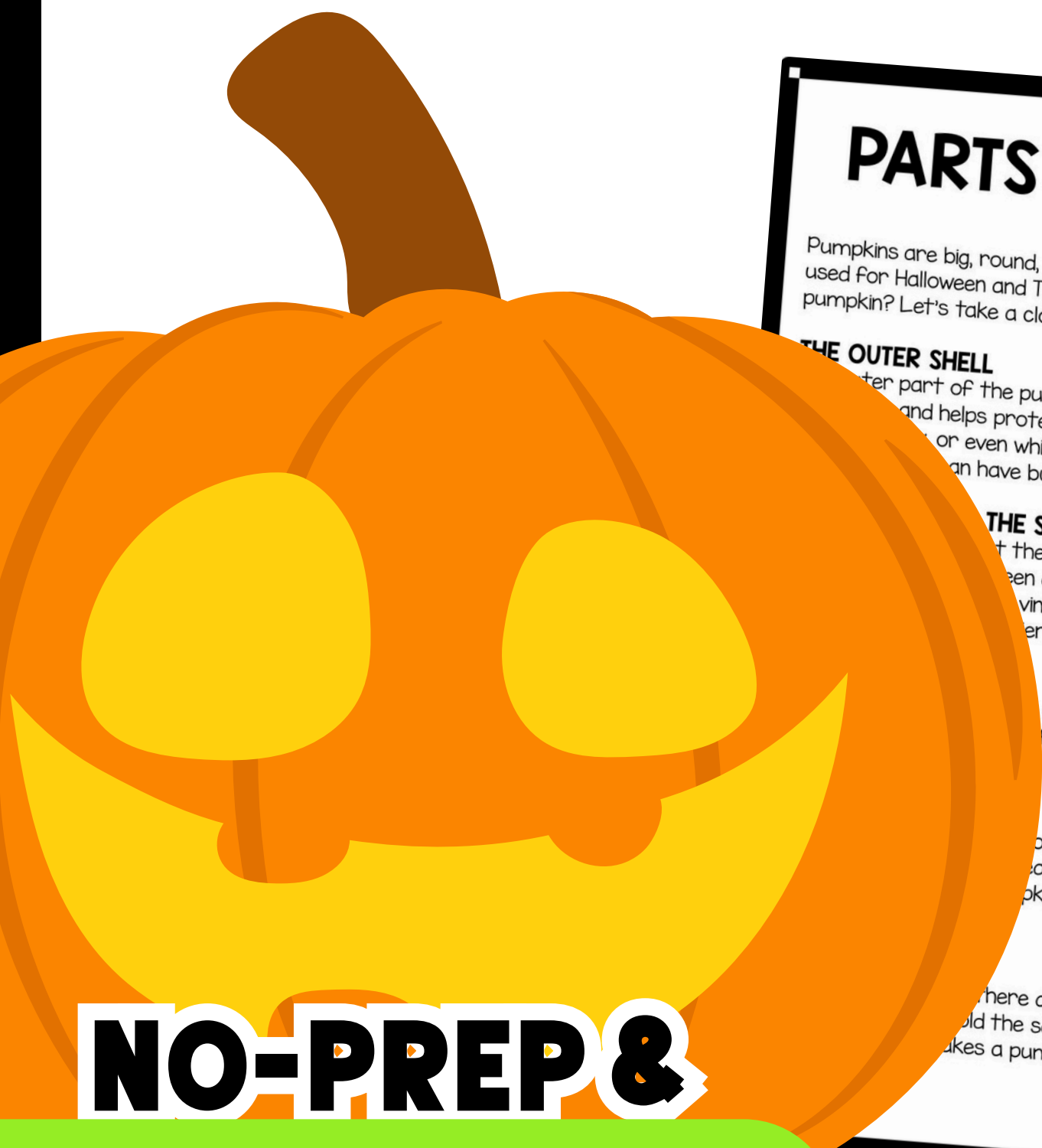
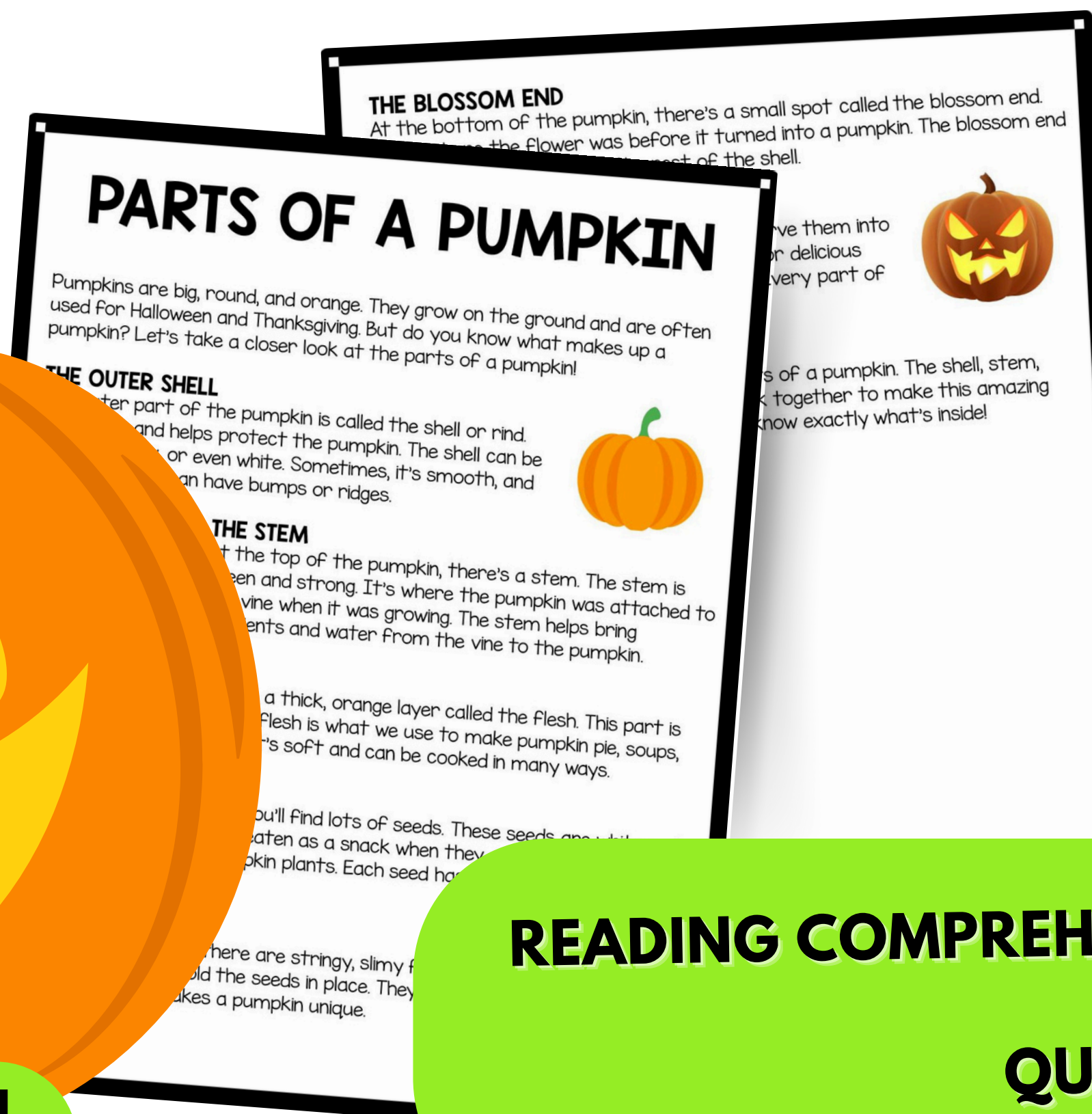


PARTS OF A Pumpkin

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PARTS OF A PUMPKIN

Pumpkins are big, round, and orange. They grow on the ground and are often used for Halloween and Thanksgiving. But do you know what makes up a pumpkin? Let's take a closer look at the parts of a pumpkin!

THE OUTER SHELL

The outer part of the pumpkin is called the shell or rind. It's tough and helps protect the pumpkin. The shell can be orange, yellow, or even white. Sometimes, it's smooth, and other times, it can have bumps or ridges.



THE STEM

At the top of the pumpkin, there's a stem. The stem is green and strong. It's where the pumpkin was attached to the vine when it was growing. The stem helps bring nutrients and water from the vine to the pumpkin.

THE FLESH

Inside the pumpkin, there is a thick, orange layer called the flesh. This part is also known as the pulp. The flesh is what we use to make pumpkin pie, soups, and other yummy treats. It's soft and can be cooked in many ways.

THE SEEDS

If you open up a pumpkin, you'll find lots of seeds. These seeds are white and flat. Pumpkin seeds can be eaten as a snack when they are roasted. They are also used to grow new pumpkin plants. Each seed has the potential to become a whole new pumpkin!

THE STRINGY GUTS

Surrounding the seeds, there are stringy, slimy fibers called the guts or fibrous strands. These guts hold the seeds in place. They can be a bit messy, but they are part of what makes a pumpkin unique.

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THE BLOSSOM END

At the bottom of the pumpkin, there's a small spot called the blossom end. This is where the flower was before it turned into a pumpkin. The blossom end is usually a bit softer than the rest of the shell.

USING A PUMPKIN

People use pumpkins for many things. We carve them into jack-o'-lanterns for Halloween, cook them for delicious meals, and even use them for decorations. Every part of the pumpkin is useful!



CONCLUSION

Now you know all about the different parts of a pumpkin. The shell, stem, flesh, seeds, guts, and blossom end all work together to make this amazing fruit. Next time you see a pumpkin, you'll know exactly what's inside!

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PARTS OF A PUMPKIN

DIRECTIONS CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. What color is the outer shell of a pumpkin usually?
 - A) Blue
 - B) Green
 - C) Orange
 - D) Purple
2. What is the outer part of the pumpkin called?
 - A) Stem
 - B) Flesh
 - C) Shell
 - D) Guts
3. Where is the stem located on the pumpkin?
 - A) At the bottom
 - B) In the middle
 - C) Inside
 - D) At the top
4. What part of the pumpkin do we use to make pumpkin pie?
 - A) Seeds
 - B) Stem
 - C) Flesh
 - D) Shell
5. What is found inside a pumpkin along with the seeds?
 - A) Blossom end
 - B) Guts
 - C) Vine
 - D) Rind

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is the purpose of the pumpkin?
2. How does the stem help the pumpkin?
3. What can pumpkin seeds be used for?
4. What part of the pumpkin holds the seeds?
5. Where was the flower located before it turned into a pumpkin?

6. What color are pumpkin seeds?

- A) Yellow
- B) White
- C) Orange
- D) Green

7. What part of the pumpkin can be used as a snack?

- A) Shell
- B) Flesh
- C) Seeds
- D) Blossom end

8. What is the name for the slimy fibers inside the pumpkin?

- A) Rind
- B) Flesh
- C) Guts
- D) Stem

9. Where is the blossom end of the pumpkin located?

- A) At the top
- B) On the side
- C) Inside
- D) At the bottom

10. What is one way people use pumpkins for Halloween?

- A) To make soup
- B) To carve jack-o'-lanterns
- C) To make decorations for gardens
- D) To make pies

ANSWER KEY

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1. C) Orange
2. C) Shell
3. D) At the top
4. C) Flesh
5. B) Guts
6. B) White
7. C) Seeds
8. C) Guts
9. D) At the bottom
10. B) To carve jack-o'-lanterns

SHORT-ANSWER QUESTION

1. The purpose of the pumpkin's outer shell is to protect the pumpkin.
2. The stem helps the pumpkin by bringing nutrients and water from the vine.
3. Pumpkin seeds can be used to grow new pumpkin plants.
4. The stringy, slimy fibers called the guts hold the seeds in place.
5. The flower was located at the blossom end of the pumpkin before it turned into a pumpkin.

ANSWER KEY
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