

This script includes a variety of solo reading parts for sixteen child readers and requires one advanced reader/narrator (teacher or older reader). Both readers and listeners may join in on "ALL" lines. The script has been created for children with some basic reading skills at an UPPER PRIMARY grade level.

(STAGED PERFORMANCE BLOCKING INFORMATION MAY BE FOUND THROUGHOUT THIS SCRIPT. DISREGARD, IF USING A SIMPLER READING APPROACH. HOWEVER, INSTRUCTIONS CONCERNING DRAWING OF LINES AND SHAPES MUST BE FOLLOWED, OR STORY WILL NOT MAKE SENSE).

(ALL READERS STAND IN FRONT OF CHAIRS AS THE READING BEGINS. A DISPLAY PAD AND MARKER PEN OR BLACKBOARD AND CHALK ARE LOCATED NEAR NARRATOR OR APPOINTED ARTIST).

NARRATOR: Last Hallowe'en night
Jan and Pete
Dressed themselves for
Trick or Treat.
They called the dog.

CHILD 1: The dog named Rags.

CHILD 2: The dog with the tail
That always wags.

NARRATOR: And then eight feet
Marched up the street
To the haunting chant
Of "Trick or Treat!"

(ALL READERS MARCH IN PLACE AND CHANT THE FOLLOWING VERSE):

ALL: TRICK OR TREAT.
TRICK OR TREAT.
GIVE US SOMETHING
SWEET TO EAT!

CHILD 1: And on this night
Take heed and hark!

CHILD 2: Beware the thing that...

ALL: G-L-O-W-S IN THE DARK!

(ALL READERS SIT AS NARRATOR OR ARTIST DRAWS ON DISPLAY PAD OR BLACKBOARD).

NARRATOR: Here's where they marched
That Hallowe'en night.

(READER PAUSES AS SHAPE "A" IS DRAWN AS SHOWN AT THE BACK OF THIS SCRIPT).

NARRATOR: When around the corner
A glowing light,
Scared the dog.

CHILD 1: The dog named Rags.

CHILD 2: The dog with the tail
That always wags.

NARRATOR: And Rags began
To bark and bark.
Bark at the thing that...

ALL: G-L-O-W-S IN THE DARK!

(NARRATOR STANDS).

NARRATOR: On that same night
Pam and Ron
Quickly put their
Costumes on.
They called the cat.

(CHILD 3 STANDS).

CHILD 3: The cat named Scat.

(CHILD 4 STANDS).

CHILD 4: The cat who always
 Smells a rat.

NARRATOR: And then eight feet
 Marched up the street
 To the haunting chant
 Of "Trick or Treat!"

(ALL READERS STAND, MARCH IN TIME, AND CHANT THE
FOLLOWING VERSE):

ALL: TRICK OR TREAT.
 TRICK OR TREAT.
 GIVE US SOMETHING
 SWEET TO EAT!

CHILD 3: And on this night
 Take heed and hark!

CHILD 4: Beware the thing that...

ALL: G-L-O-W-S IN THE DARK!

(ALL SIT AS NARRATOR OR ARTIST DRAWS).

NARRATOR: Here's where they marched
 That Hallowe'en night.

(READER PAUSES AS SHAPE "B" IS DRAWN AS SHOWN AT THE
BACK OF THIS SCRIPT).

When around the corner
A glowing light,
Startled the cat.

CHILD 3: The cat named Scat.

CHILD 4: The cat who always
Smells a rat.

NARRATOR: She arched her back,
Played her part,
And hissed at the thing that...

ALL: G-L-O-W-S IN THE DARK!

NARRATOR: Soon Pam and Ron,
Pete and Jan,
Met right here

(READER PAUSES AS SHAPE "C" IS DRAWN AS SHOWN AT THE
BACK OF THIS SCRIPT).

And a chase began.
The dog named Rags
Saw Scat the cat.

CHILD 5: The cat who always

CHILD 6: Smells a rat.

NARRATOR: And chased that cat
Through lane and street
To the haunting chant
Of "Trick or Treat!"

(ALL STAND, MARCH IN PLACE, AND CHANT VERSE):

ALL: TRICK OR TREAT.
TRICK OR TREAT.
GIVE US SOMETHING
SWEET TO EAT!

CHILD 5: And on this night
Take heed and hark!

CHILD 6: Beware the thing that...

ALL: G-L-O-W-S IN THE DARK!

(ALL SIT AS NARRATOR OR ARTIST DRAWS).

NARRATOR: Here's where they ran
That Hallowe'en night.