

Halloween Magic with

Winnie the Witch



Fun, creative ideas and
activities to run your
own Halloween party

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How to run your party!



Abracadabra!

Winnie & Wilbur fans!



In this party pack, you will find lots of activities for young children where they can:



LISTEN **PLAY** **READ** **DRAW** **MAKE**



Here are some tips on running a successful event,
to give your party extra Winnie and Wilbur sparkle!

1. PLAN

- Think about who you are going to invite and how many children you can comfortably fit in your space.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT WHILE PLANNING:

- Which activities are you going to do?
- Are you going to play games too?
- There are lots of games and activities in this pack – but you can find more at www.winnie-the-witch.com
- Are you providing drinks and snacks?
- How many staff will be attending to help run the event?

2. HALLOWEEN MAGIC WITH WINNIE THE WITCH

- Make sure you invite your guests or start promoting your event well ahead of Halloween.
- Let the local community know you're holding a HALLOWEEN MAGIC WITH WINNIE AND WILBUR PARTY. Use the posters in this kit to publicise your event.
- Tell local press or radio stations about the event and invite them to attend.
- Social media (Facebook, Twitter, blogs) are a great way to promote your event and link in with other events nationwide. Use the hashtag #winniethewitch

3. INCENTIVISE

- Everyone loves the excuse to dress up, so encourage your guests (and staff!) to dress up by offering a small prize for the best fancy dress outfit. The prize could be anything from a book to chocolate coins.
- Find out how to make Winnie's hat and hair – and a Wilbur headdress at www.winnie-the-witch.com

4. COUNTDOWN

- Create a buzz and countdown to your event with a sign in the window or a chalkboard outside, which can be updated every day. Add your own Winnie drawings or spells for extra flare.

5. DECORATE

- Get creative with decorating your space to get your guests in the mood.
- There are lots of fun, creative activity ideas for young children in this kit, so you may decide to set up 'creative stations' around your area, which will allow you to run several activities at once. Make sure there is enough space around each 'station'. Alternatively, everyone can do the same thing at the same time.

6. PREPARE

- Photocopy or print out the activities in this kit.
- Stock up on paper, pens, colouring pencils, crayons, scissors and paper glue.
- Organise cushions or beanbags for the children to sit on (and some chairs for the parents), and, if you have space, tables for the children to complete the activities.
- If you're serving drinks and snacks, you could name or decorate these as witchy treats.

7. PHOTOGRAPH

- Take lots of photos at your event, but do check with parents that they are happy for their child(ren) to be photographed and the photos used for publicity purposes and online.

Tweet your photos using the hashtag
#winniethewitch and include **@OUPChildrens**

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SUGGESTED FORMAT FOR YOUR PARTY

- * Children arrive
- * Welcome
- * Storytelling, to set the scene
- * Selection of games and activities
- * Hand out stickers and hometime



Here's to a
SPELLBINDING
and FUN Winnie
and Wilbur
HALLOWEEN
PARTY!

Winnie & Wilbur storytime

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SET THE SCENE...

Setting the scene to get your party guests in the mood is essential. It's a great way to reinforce the **stories** and **characters** with children who are already fans, or to **introduce Winnie and Wilbur's madcap world** to a whole host of new fans.

Start by reading either reading an extract from – or the whole of – the brand new adventure **Winnie's Haunted House**.



STORYTELLING TIPS

1 Practise reading your Winnie story out loud a few times before the party. You can never be too prepared!

2 Prepare your **VOICES** and **ACTIONS** for the characters.

3 Try out a bit of dramatic acting for the different characters

4 Try to **change the tone of your voice** to keep the children's attention.

5 Make your story-telling session as interactive as possible - the more interactive you make it, the more children will enjoy it. Let them know how they are expected to interact with your story.

6 Try to make your session no longer than **5-10 minutes** long, to maintain the children's attention.

7 **LIMIT** any distractions.

8 To relax everyone, or if you have a quiet group, begin the session by letting them **make some noise**, if you can cope with a little chaos! This will help your audience to **feel more confident** about getting involved.

9 You don't have to stick strictly to the text on every page. Talk about the pictures - what can they see? What is going to happen next?

10 Try to include some **sound effects, actions** and **repetition** wherever possible, for **maximum interactivity**.

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Spot the Difference

There are 5 differences in the pictures below. Can you find them all?



ANSWERS 1. No snake in bird's mouth 2. Chimney not on the roof below 3. Piece of paper missing from the pots near Winnie 4. Winnie's wand missing from her pocket 5. No flying saucer.

What spell has Winnie made?

Abracadabra! Winnie has been very busy making spells.

Do you know what she's making now? Draw what you think is in her cauldron in the giant cloud of smoke.



Make Winnie & Wilbur Pop-Up Cards

YOU WILL NEED: HOW TO MAKE YOUR CARD

- A4 or A5 sheets of cardboard or thick paper
- Sheets of A4 or A5 coloured paper (optional)
- Glue
- Scissors
- Crayons/pencils/pens

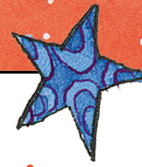
1. Photocopy the card template in this pack or give children sheets of A5 paper.
2. Fold the rectangle in half (with the two black lines on the outside). Cut down the two parallel lines so you have a tab.
3. While the card is still folded, fold the tab up and crease it.
4. Open up your card and pop the cut paper tab through to the inside of the card.
5. *Optional:* cut a piece of coloured paper, the same size or slightly bigger than your card. Fold it in half and glue your card to the coloured paper. Make sure you don't glue the "pop-up" section down.
6. Your pop-up card is ready to be decorated with crayons, markers or coloured pencils.

TO MAKE THE POP-UP DESIGN

1. Choose one of these Winnie or Wilbur designs to pop out of your card. Adults should cut this out for small children.
2. When your card is decorated, glue the pop-up piece in the centre of the popped through tab and leave to dry.

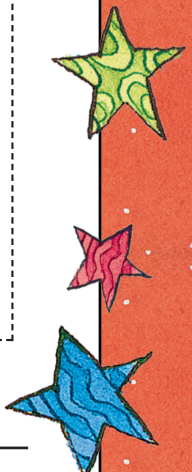
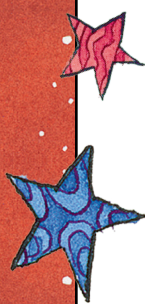
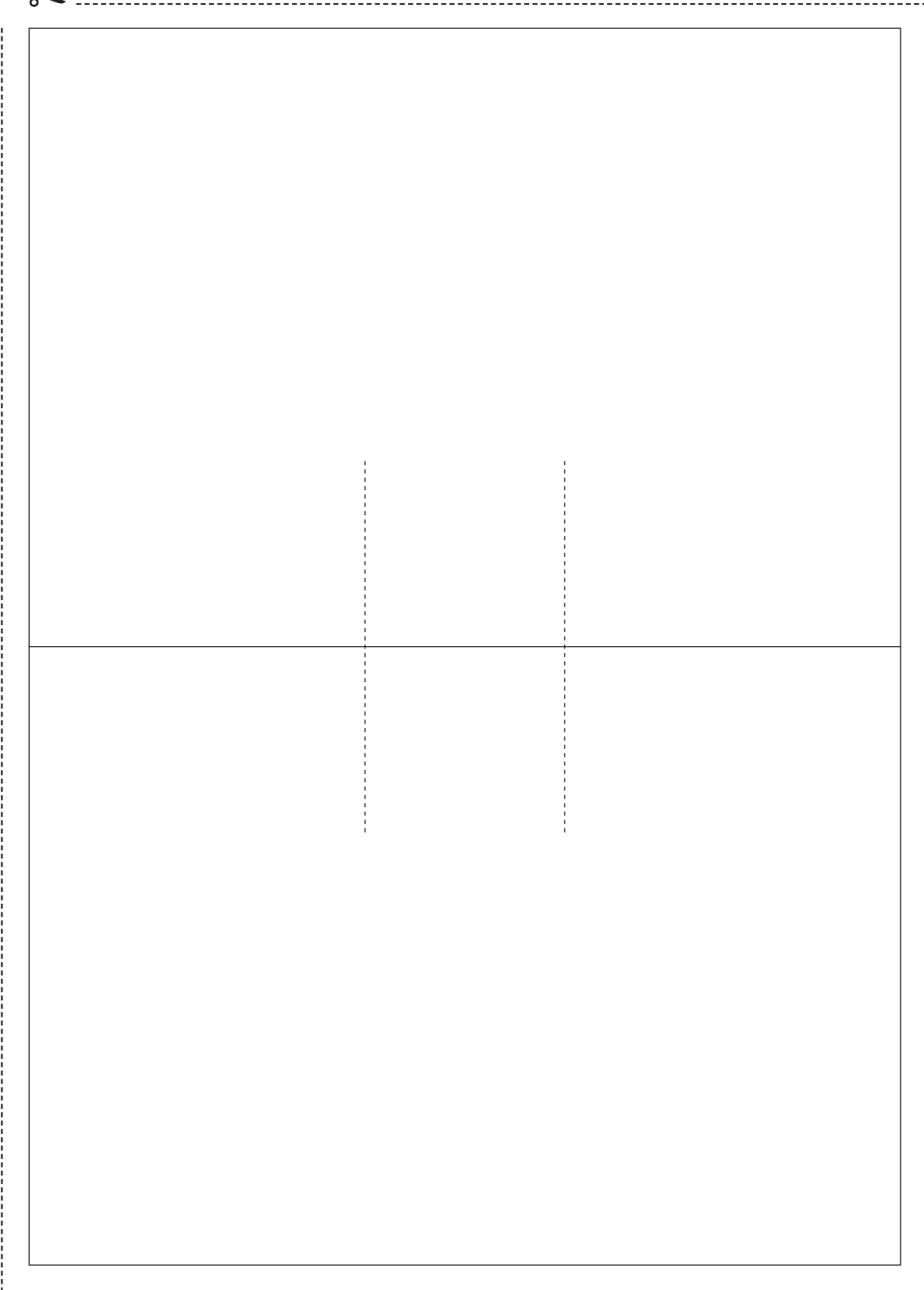


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Pop-Up Card Template



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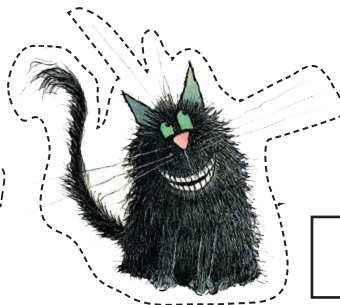
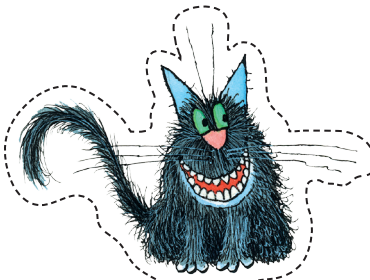
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Make Winnie & Wilbur Finger Puppets

YOU WILL NEED: HOW TO MAKE YOUR FINGER PUPPET

- Paper
- Scissors
- Sellotape or glue

1. Choose the Winnie and Wilbur pictures below that you would like for your finger puppets (adults should cut these out for small children, including the strips, so you can make a tab for each one).
2. Measure the strip round the child's finger so that it fits snugly, and cut off any excess. Secure with sellotape or glue.
3. Once the tab is the correct size, glue Winnie and Wilbur on to the front.
4. Make as many as you like – even one for each finger – and create your very own Winnie and Wilbur story.



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Make a Wilbur Mask!

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HOW TO CREATE YOUR MASK

1. Cut around the dotted lines (ask a grown-up to do this for you).
2. Push a piece of string or elastic through the holes and tie it behind your head or you could blu-tack a pencil to the bottom and hold it.



Winnie's Quick Draw Challenge

YOU WILL NEED: HOW TO PLAY

- Paper
- Pens, pencils, crayons
- Stopwatch

1. Cut out the word cards below, and put them in a witchy hat.
2. Give the children some paper and something to draw with.
3. Ask the children in turns to select a word at random for the rest of the Winnie and Wilbur fans to draw against the clock.
4. You could hand out prizes for the best drawings.

Magic Wand	Robot	Wilbur	Stars
Winnie	Cauldron	Pumpkin	Witch's Hat
Broomstick	Stripy Socks	Big Book of Spells	Pirate
Dragon	Toad	Dinosaur	Spider's web
Creepy Crawlies	Bat	Computer	Owl

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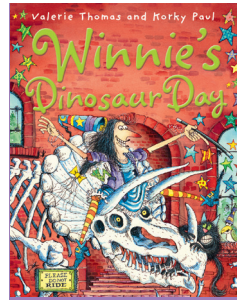
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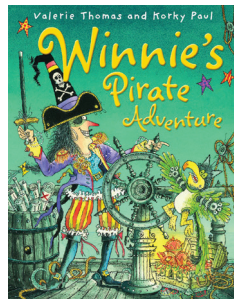
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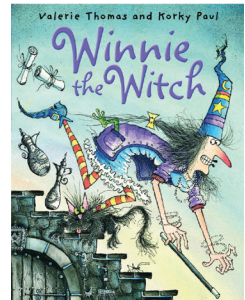
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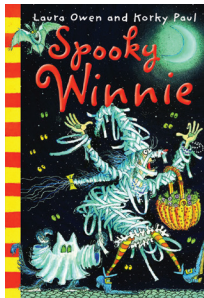


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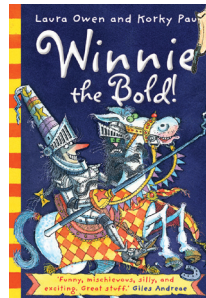
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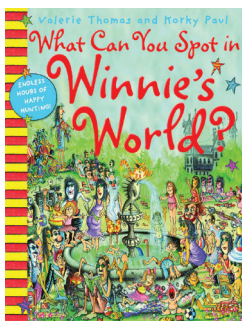
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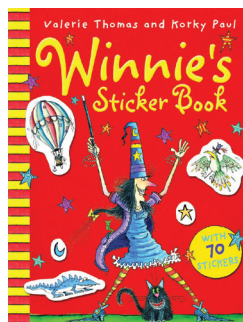
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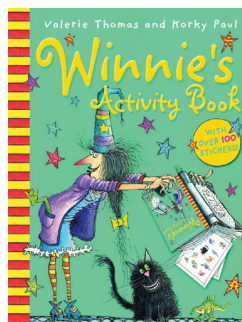
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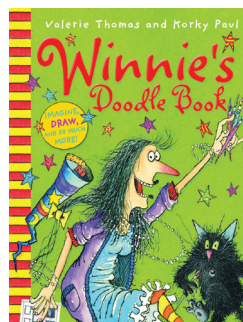
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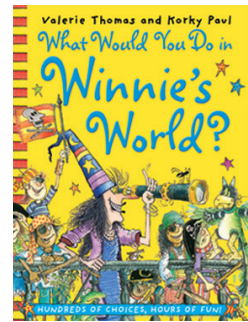
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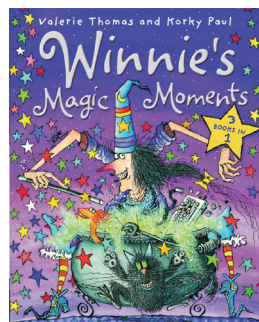


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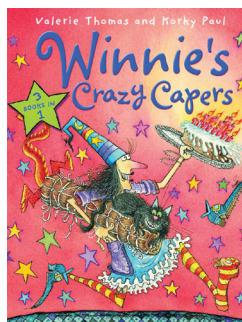
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