

## 5 Little Pumpkins

A song activity used to enhance children's awareness of words that have sound similarities and rhythmic patterns. The rhythm and melodies also promote verbal fluency. Providing the students with tasks and/or gestures to incorporate during the song allow them to promote fine-motor skills along with comprehension of the material.



### Song:

Five little pumpkins sitting on a gate  
First one said "Oh my, it's getting late!"  
Second one said "There are witches in the air!"  
The third one said " but we don't care!"  
The fourth one said "let's run and run and run!"  
The fifth one said "I'm ready for some fun!"  
Ooo ooo went the wind, and out went the light  
And the five little pumpkins rolled out of sight

Youtube video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cm1qvX1ygOo>

Teach the students the song.

Allow them to place or remove the pumpkins and witches on during the appropriate parts.

\*Add Velcro for a more precise application

Ask questions that promote discussion and understanding.

*Can you count the number of pumpkins? Witches? Fence posts?*

*How do the pumpkins know that it is getting late?*

*How do you think the pumpkins are feeling? (look at the expressions on faces; emotions)*

*Why would they be feeling this way?*

*Do you hear any words that sound similar?*

*What are the witches traveling on?*

*How do you think that they can do that?*