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# GOING GREEN ON HALLOWEEN

Read the text and answer the questions.

Halloween is a fun holiday. But when it's over, how much gets thrown away? Too much garbage is bad for the health of our planet. With some small changes, you can help. This year, "go green" on Halloween! Halloween costumes are a fun, but they can be expensive. In the United States alone, people spend over three billion dollars on them! Most people only wear them once. Many throw them away after Halloween. Consider a used costume this year. Better yet, try to make your own costume from used clothing and other materials. This can save money and prevent more "stuff" from going in the garbage. On Halloween night, collect your treats in a reusable bag, or make one from recycled materials. If you are giving out treats, hand out fresh fruits or vegetables. A fresh apple, banana, or orange doesn't have a wrapper, so it creates less waste than wrapped candy. They're healthier, too! When Halloween is over, what will you do with that jack-o-lantern? You could donate it to a farm to be fed to animals. Another option is to compost it. This means putting it outside and letting it break back down into soil that can be used for gardening. Whether you go as a ghost or a cat this Halloween, it's easy to go green on Halloween. On the day of trick-or-treating, be sure to treat your planet well!



 What can you do with the jack-o-lanterns after Halloween?

 Why is the writer concerned about the way Halloween is currently celebrated?

 What is the central message of this text?