



DISSECT A PUMPKIN

In October, pumpkins are all around. But have you ever taken a close look at all the parts of a pumpkin? Get the inside scoop on this fall favorite.

Pumpkin Measurements

Height: _____

Width: _____

Circumference (how big around): _____

What you need:

- ✓ Pumpkin
- ✓ Tape measure
- ✓ Bowl, knife, and spoon
- ✓ Magnifying glass

Draw and describe the outside of your pumpkin, such as its shape, its stem, and its markings. Can you tell something about where and how it grew?

Ask a grownup to help you cut the pumpkin open. Scoop out some of the insides. Draw and describe what you see.

Can you cut open one of the pumpkin's seeds? Draw and describe the seed.

Draw the wall of the pumpkin where it was cut. Measure how thick each layer is and write the measurements on your drawing.

