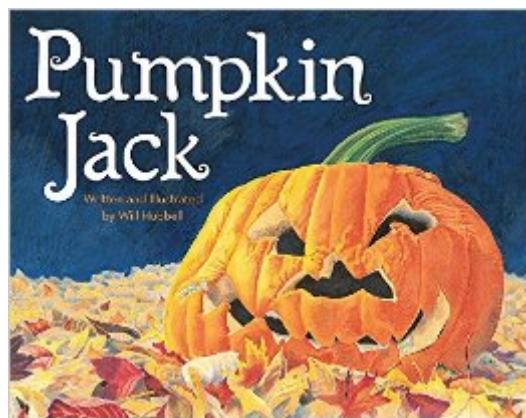


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# Pumpkin Jack



## **Synopsis**

The first pumpkin Tim ever carved was fierce and funny, and he named it Jack. When Halloween was over and the pumpkin was beginning to rot, Tim set it out in the garden and throughout the weeks he watched it change.

## **Book Information**

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Age Range: 4 - 7 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## **Customer Reviews**

This is a great little story, far removed from the frightful and cutie-pie ones that are so prevalent at Halloween. Pumpkin Jack is a jack-o-lantern who gradually collapses and dies after Halloween, as all do. We see the little boy through the seasons of his year, occasionally reminded of the old jack-o-lantern. In the spring, a tiny vine begins to grow where the old jack died. The vine, of course, grows pumpkins, which, in the fall, the boy gives away--all but one. Fine watercolor illustrations, which in some places are a bit rough, but the story more than makes up for them. This is what the death of nature in the autumn is all about, beautifully told, with a message of renewal in the end.

My son's kindergarten teacher read this to them this week, and my son and I fell in love with it! A very different story for Halloween, and one that will have your child(ren) wanting to put THEIR jack-o-lantern in the garden instead of the trash, just to see what happens. Terrific story, beautiful illustrations - I'm here to buy several copies to give away as gifts.

I bought this storybook online last fall. I read the first part of the book to the children and stopped where the little boy said "Goodbye Pumpkin Jack" as he kicked dirt over what remained of the pumpkin after the snow had melted. We carved our own "Pumpkin Jack" without scraping out the pulp and seeds. After Halloween, we took him out to the corner of the playground and placed him on the bare ground so that we could watch him change over the next few months. We put a little fence around him with a sign, "Pumpkin Jack" do not touch! The children and I kept a journal of him monthly. After the snow melted, we kicked dirt over him and said our goodbyes! Now we have several sprouts...."Pumpkin Jack lives!!!" I will read the rest of the book to the children before children go home for the summer. I will continue my journal and take pictures to send to the class. Cool science project, great life experience!!! Beautiful illustrations in the book.

Pumpkin Jack is a magnificiantly drawn children's book. It's one of the books that you can relish viewing repeatedly. Very good feature since I anticipate having to read this out loud over and over again to enchanted children. The story is excellent.

This book was great for my pre-k class (could really be used for much older grades). I read it before we carved the pumpkin and touched all the inner stuff. If you had a small pumpkin you can deteriorate it yourself by putting it in a sealed jar so that the kiddos can watch it turn just like Pumpkin Jack does in the story!

I really love this book. The story takes the pumpkin from the pumpkin patch, through Halloween, out to the garden to rot away and through the following seasons until the next Fall when the cycle of life has worked its magic on Jack's seeds. It's beautifully illustrated and was much appreciated by the 8 year old, two 3 year olds and all their parents when I presented them as gifts on Halloween.

As a Grandmother to a 8 year old girl and 4 year old boy, this was a refreshing story regarding the pumpkin's life cycle. It not only taught them the science of the life cycle of the pumpkin but also came at a great time of year during the fall of the year.

What a beautifully illustrated book. I read this to my preschool class and they were totally engaged the whole time. You learn about the life cycle of a pumpkin through this charming story of a boy who named his pumpkin 'Jack.' After Halloween the 'Jack' begins to rot and goes through the seasons

until his seeds sprout in the spring--starting all over again. I think my students liked that he had a name--in fact one student told me he named his own pumpkin 'Jack!' I followed up by showing the preschoolers my pumpkin bushes outside and then we looked at the vines, flowers, baby green pumpkins, and mature pumpkins more closely inside. We also explored the insides of several pumpkins. This book is great on its own, but is also wonderful as a base for further learning and exploration. Fun book!

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