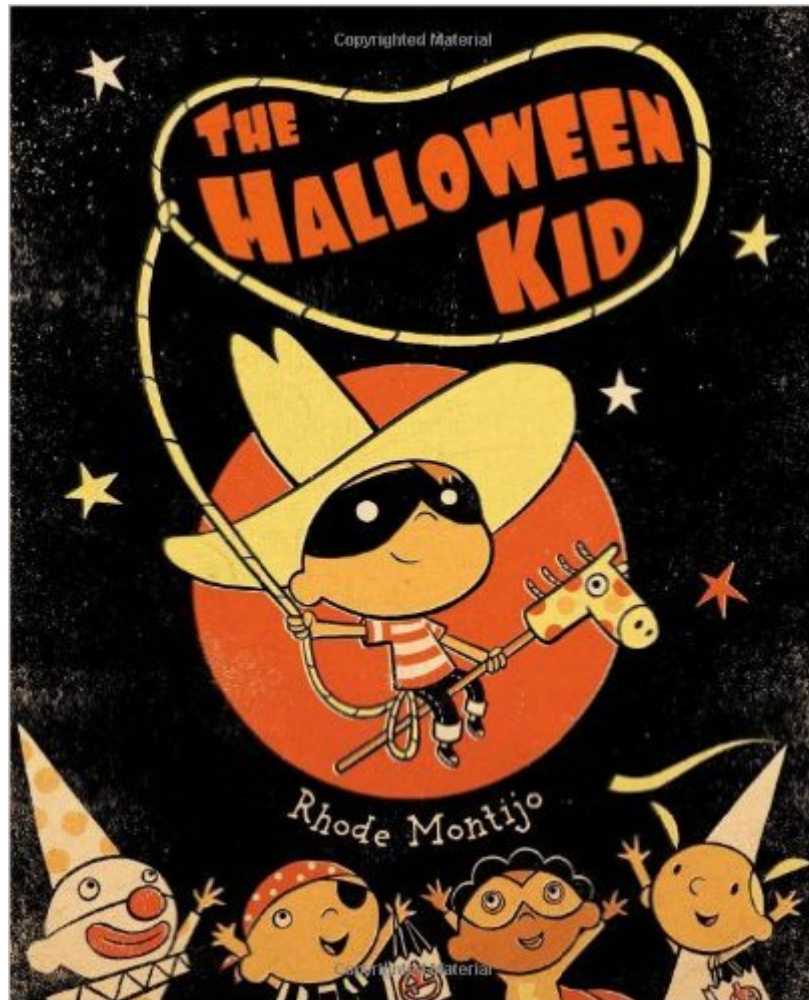


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# The Halloween Kid



## Synopsis

From the illustrator of the Melvin Beederman, SUPERHERO series comes a story about a masked hero and his trusty steed. Together they save Halloween from ruthless toilet paperâ “tossing mummies and pumpkin-sucking vampires.No siree, Halloween wonâ™t be canceled anytime soon, not while the Halloween Kidâ™s around. With a rootinâ™ tootinâ™ Halloween monsterâ “shootinâ™ text and retro-modern illustrations, The Halloween Kid will lasso in readers both young and old. Because who doesnâ™t love a hero who defends the right to trick or treat? Yee-Ha-lloween!

## Book Information

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Age Range: 3 - 8 years

Grade Level: Preschool - 3

## Customer Reviews

I was so thrilled when this arrived and I read through it! I couldn't wait to share it with the kids. The old-western lingo is terrific fun, the tempo is good, (I wish there were a few more details. But the kids get all the info they need from the illustrations and can fill in the rest with their imaginations) The illustrations are wonderful, So much better than I expected! The limited color palette keeps it all charming and gives it a classic children's book feel.As for the writing style,think: cowboy narrator; sittin' round the campfire; tellin' tales as you're a readin' it to yer young-uns. That's the feel of this story. If you read it with an accent, they will recognize that you are playing a character, entertaining them, and not demonstrating how you wish them to speak in school.I've looked for good Halloween

books for years and this is definitely one of the best I've found. Other Halloween favorites at our house are: "Ghosts in the House" By K. Kohara, "Five Little Pumpkins" (pick your favorite illustrator), and "Room on the Broom" By J. Donaldson for three and up; and for longer attention spans (4-5 and up)- "The little Old Lady Who was Not Afraid of Anything" by L. Williams and "Too Many Pumpkins" by L. White.

My two boys (5 & 2) LOVE this book! They make me read it every day. More than once. It's been 6 weeks now and they are not letting up. They love to yell YE-HA-LLOWEEN! They are definitely getting stick ponies for Christmas.P.S. People who complain about the grammar are tools. It's supposed to have an old-timey feel. Duh.

If you buy this book you will not regret it, once a year around Halloween Rhode M. opens up a web shop on his site and sells art and creatures. He took what is cool about Halloween and put a mex-sophisticated retro spin on it. The grammar part of the book is actually really easy, (just talk like a cowboy!) If you get a chance order a deputy badge from his site it is really well made and it makes the experience so real. Like any awesome artist he of course sent extras post cards stickers and goodies! My son loves loves loves this book. It is beautiful, I am a artist myself and I am super picky. I would put this book up there with the other go to Halloween books!!!!

This is my son's favorite book, especially when I use different voices for the characters. It is written in a way to emphasize a western accent and vocabulary. It is great for entertaining but not the book I would choose for improving english proficiency.

I had a chance to meet this author at the San Diego Comic Con 2014. This is a cute book about a boy who loves Halloween and will do anything to save the day. This is a very cute book and Rhode Montijo is not only the author but the illustrator of the book. I love his simple clean style of drawing. I would recommend this book to anyone with children. Also available are posters and sheriff style badges for the Halloween Kid.

As THE HALLOWEEN KID says, Halloween is a time for dressing up and getting sweet eats. However, sometimes there's trouble and when there is, that's when the Halloween Kid appears. The Kid wears a cowboy hat and mask, carries a lasso, and rides a magical stick horse. He's wrestled pumpkin-sucking vampires, captured leaf-pile ghosts, and trapped the Giant Miami Werewolf.

Halloween goes on without any problem for years until the Goodie Goblins show up. Pranks are played, candy is stolen, and pumpkins are smashed. Some people stop handing out candy and others keep their youngsters inside. There's even talk in the village of canceling Halloween altogether. But then, the Halloween Kid appears and tracks the Goodie Goblins to their secret cave. He plans to round them up, but ends up getting captured himself. It's up to his trusty steed and the children of the village to rescue the kid, chase off the goblins, and make sure Halloween isn't canceled. The overall story of THE HALLOWEEN KID is enjoyable and it has a good message about standing up and doing the right thing even when you're afraid. However, what I liked most about the book is the writing style and the illustrations. The book is written and illustrated by the same person, which is somewhat unusually in children's books. My parents grew up watching Westerns on tv and at the movies and as a result, I grew up watching many of those shows through tapes and on cable. There is a particular style to a Western and ones from that era or even more distinct. THE HALLOWEEN KID perfectly captures the distinct mood, style, and tone of the old-time Westerns. Not only that, but all of the illustrations are drawn in mostly shades of orange and black with a hint of brown and a few tints of yellow. Overall, it makes for a very memorable and enjoyable Halloween children's book. So, sit back, relax and travel back to those days of yesteryear with THE HALLOWEEN KID.

The Halloween Kid by Rhode Montijo is a story about a kid determined to save Halloween when some Greedy Goodie Goblins roll into town. The Kid along with his trusty stick horse, Lone Ranger mask, is determined to get back at those who ruined Halloween. When the Kid finds his job a little tougher than expected, the neighbors help out to reclaim the day and the fun. This book is cute, especially the colorful illustrations with a retro sort of look. The story too, is a cute one, but I had a issue with the terrible grammar which I'm guessing was meant to be cute, but just really bugged me. "He wasn't afraid if nothin". "In fact he done did such a good job at wranglin Halloween Hoodlums, that Halloween was just dandy for years". If you can get beyond the writing style you most likely will enjoy this book. Recommended for grades K-2. Rating - 3.5/5 stars

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