



English Song
Activity
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The nightmare before Christmas, Jack's lament



Listen to the song and complete the lyrics with the missing words

There are who deny at what I do I am the best
For my are renowned **far and wide**
When it comes to surprises in the moonlit night
I excel without ever trying
With the slightest little effort of my ghostlike charms
I have seen men **give out a shriek**
With a wave of my hand and a well-placed **moan**
I have **swept the very off their feet**

Yet year after it's the same routine
And I so weary of the sound of screams
And I Jack, the Pumpkin King
Have grown so of the same old thing

Oh, somewhere deep inside of these
An emptiness began to grow
There's out there, far from my home
A **longing** that I've never

I'm the master of and a demon of light
And I'll scare you out of your pants
To a guy in Kentucky, I am mister unlucky
And I'm known England and France

And since I am dead, I can take off my
To **recite Shakespearean quotations**
No nor man can scream like I can
With the of my recitations

But who here would ever
That the Pumpkin King with the skeleton **grin**
Would tire of his?
If they only understood
He'd **give it all up** if he only could

Oh, there's anplace in my bones
That calls out for something unknown
The fame and come year after year
Does nothing for these empty





Match the words in bold from the song with their meaning below.
You can use a dictionary if necessary

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| 1 far and wide | ... a prolonged low sound as from pain of some sort |
| 2 give out a shriek | ... make sb fall in love with you |
| 3 moan | ... repeat sth memorized, often in front of an audience |
| 4 sweep sb off their feet | ... from all over the world |
| 5 longing | ... quit the effort |
| 6 recite Shakespearean quotations | ... scream |
| 7 grin | ... a strong desire |
| 8 give it all up | ... a broad smile |



Have you seen the film? Did you like it and why? If you haven't watched it yet, did this song make you curious about the plot? Write a small paragraph expressing your ideas.



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For mytalents..... are renowned **far and wide**
When it comes to surprises in the moonlit night
I excel without ever ...even..... trying
With the slightest little effort of my ghostlike charms
I have seengrown..... men **give out a shriek**
With a wave of my hand and a well-placed **moan**
I have **swept the very ...bravest..... off their feet**

Yet year after ...year..... it's the same routine
And Igrow..... so weary of the sound of screams
And I Jack, the Pumpkin King
Have grown sotired..... of the same old thing

Oh, somewhere deep inside of these ...bones.....
An emptiness began to grow
There'ssomething..... out there, far from my home
A **longing** that I've neverknown.....

I'm the master of ...fright.....and a demon of light
And I'll scare youright..... out of your pants
To a guy in Kentucky, I am mister unlucky
And I'm knownthroughout..... England and France

And since I am dead, I can take off myhead.....
To **recite Shakespearean quotations**
Noanimal..... nor man can scream like I can
With the ...fury..... of my recitations

But who here would everunderstand.....
That the Pumpkin King with the skeleton **grin**
Would tire of his ...crown.....?
If they only understood
He'd **give it all up** if he only could

Oh, there's anempty.....place in my bones
That calls out for something unknown
The fame andpraise..... come year after year
Does nothing for these emptytears.....

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| 2 give out a shriek | ..4.. make sb fall in love with you |
| 3 moan | ..6.. repeat sth memorized, often in front of an audience |
| 4 sweep sb off their feet | ..1..from all over the world |
| 5 longing | ..8..quit the effort |
| 6 recite Shakespearean quotations | ..2..scream |
| 7 grin | ..5..a strong desire |
| 8 give it all up | ..7..a broad smile |



[The Nightmare Before Christmas](#) (also known as *Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas*) is a 1993 American stop-motion animated musical fantasy film directed by [Henry Selick](#) in his feature directorial debut and produced and conceived by [Tim Burton](#). It tells the story of Jack Skellington, the King of "Halloween Town", who stumbles upon "Christmas Town" and schemes to take over the holiday. **(source Wikipedia)**

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[Danny Elfman](#) wrote all the songs of the film and [score](#) and provided the singing voice of Jack.

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