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**DREMEL® TOOLS HELP HALLOWEEN ENTHUSIASTS  
CREATE FRIGHTENINGLY FUN DÉCOR**

MOUNT PROSPECT, Ill., September 29, 2008 – Whether hosting a Halloween bash or just getting in the spooky spirit, Halloween is the perfect time of year to let creative juices flow with an abundance of household decorations. Dremel®, the trusted name in high-speed rotary tool technology, is offering Halloween enthusiasts valuable tips for making their Halloween décor extra special.

**Pumpkin Carving 101**

Pumpkin carving is a tradition that is not only fun but essential for setting the stage for Halloween décor. Take pumpkin carving to a new level this year by using the *Dremel Pumpkin Carving Kit*, which includes a 6-Volt Dremel Alkaline Cordless rotary tool and 10 creative carving templates. The kit, which retails for \$29.99, allows carvers to easily create frighteningly intricate designs, such as a haunted house or skeleton, on the surface of a pumpkin, giving the gourd a sophisticated, iridescent appearance compared to jack-o-lanterns of the past. Two carving speeds – 7,000 and 14,000 rotations per minute – aid carvers with varying levels of experience.

After carving, give your jack-o-lantern extra pizzazz with ghostly and gruesome extras – an increasingly popular trend. Using the *Dremel Glue Gun*, which retails for \$24.99 and is one of the most fully featured glue guns on the market, affix felt cutouts or sticky cobwebs to the surface of the pumpkin or draw a design in glue and sprinkle it with glitter to create an eerie glimmer. Or, create a foggy entrance for trick-or-treaters by turning some pumpkins into home-made *fog machines*. Place a plastic dish filled half way with warm water inside the pumpkin; once situated, drop chunks of dry ice into the plastic dish and watch the fog erupt.

Pumpkins aren't the only material that can be carved and decorated using the Dremel Pumpkin Carving Kit and Dremel Glue Gun. Use the tools to carve and decorate ***gourds or apples*** (the apples will shrivel to create a scary effect) or carve Halloween shapes out of bars of soap to add spirit to bathrooms and kitchens.

### **Haunted Backyard**

Transform an ordinary yard into a spooktacular graveyard this fall with a few simple decorations. Using the rotary tool included in the Dremel Pumpkin Carving Kit, create ***gravestones*** by carving designs out of hard foam. Etch witty epitaphs that include your friends' and family members' names on the front of the stones and fill in the carved area with a black marker or black paint before painting the rest of the stone dingy gray. Insert one end of a stick (a fallen tree branch will work) into the end of the gravestone and the other end into the ground to keep the gravestone upright.

Create ***signs*** to intersperse between gravestones by writing frightening messages or directions to spooky spots in your yard with black paint on rectangular pieces of old wood. Affix the signs to paint stirring sticks or other straight pieces of wood with the Dremel Driver™, a fully featured compact screwdriver that retails for \$69.99, to keep them upright, and then insert the sticks into the ground. To make signs even more fearful, glue miniature motion lights on the signs so they light up when guests walk by.

Nothing is scarier than the look of a ***boarded-up abandoned haunted house***. Create this look on your house, shed or garage with a few old boards and the Dremel Driver. To achieve this look, set three wooden boards together horizontally – leaving a slight space between each board – then set two more boards diagonally on top. Using the Dremel Driver, drive three screws through each of the diagonal boards to affix them to the bottom layer. Turn the boards over and drill two more screws through the top left and right corners and connect both with a wire. Hang the set of boards over the corner of windows without causing any damage.

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Complete your haunted yard by hanging ***flying ghosts*** in trees and bushes. Roll pieces of newspaper together in balls and cover with sheets of white fabric. Secure the fabric below the ball with a piece of black ribbon. Using a Dremel Glue Gun, dot a few dribbles of glue to affix googly eyes, a puffball nose and felt mouth. Create another loop of ribbon to hang the ghost and attach it to the back of the ghosts' heads with another dab of glue.

### **Tricks and Treats**

For kids, one of the best parts of Halloween is the overflow of treats. Make a ***customized trick-or-treat bag*** for each of your young ghouls and goblins by affixing plastic spiders, candy pumpkins, cobwebs or colorful paper cutouts on the front of a simple white bag using the Dremel Glue Gun.

If ***costumes*** malfunction at the last minute, glue them back in place with a quick line of hot glue, and send your trick-or-treaters out for a night of Halloween fun.

The Dremel Pumpkin Carving Kit, Dremel Glue Gun and Dremel Driver are all available at select hardware stores and home improvement centers nationwide and online at [www.dremel.com](http://www.dremel.com). Children should only use these tools with adult supervision.

For additional editorial information and high-resolution images, please visit the Dremel electronic press kit at [www.dremelepk.com](http://www.dremelepk.com).

### **About Dremel**

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Today, as a wholly owned subsidiary of the Robert Bosch Tool Corporation in Mount Prospect, Ill., Dremel continues to build upon this legacy with a full line of high-performance rotary tools, benchtop products, specialty tools, accessories and attachments, delivering the perfect solution for almost any job. Regardless of what the task may be, users quickly realize they can depend on Dremel to provide the satisfaction of a job well done.

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