

Peter Peter Pumpkin Eater

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He Put Her in a What?

Directions: Read the children's nursery rhyme below and then select your point of view from which to answer the question from. Make sure they are school appropriate responses!

Peter Peter pumpkin eater,
Had a wife but couldn't keep her.
He put her in a pumpkin shell,
And there he kept her very well.

Okay, now the wife is one angry woman and is suing Peter for emotional damages...I mean he put her in a pumpkin shell! Peter and his wife are now on Divorce Court to argue why this event happened.

If you side with Peter: You need to write 10 sentences below explaining why you couldn't keep your wife (happy, fed, etc) and why you decided it was for her own safety to put her in a pumpkin shell where you could keep an eye on her.

If you side with the Wife: You need to write 10 sentences below explaining why your husband thought it was a good idea to put you in a pumpkin shell, why he couldn't keep you and why you should get the money you are suing him for because of the emotional pain it has caused you.

