CARVING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Carefully cut a hole in the top of the pumpkin for the lid. Make sure to angle your blade inward to create a ledge for the lid.

2. Scoop out the seeds and strings with a spoon. Scrape the flesh from the inside of the pumpkin until it is about 3/4 to 1 inch thick where you would like to carve. Scrape to smooth the interior bottom to keep a light level later.

3. Trim excess paper leaving a 1/2 inch border around the pattern. Fold along crease lines if necessary and tape in place making sure the pattern is smooth on the surface.

4. Poke holes through the pattern along the dotted lines using a push pin or pumpkin poker. Slice into the skin of the pumpkin gently along the solid line.

5. Carefully scrape enough skin to allow light to pass through in the gray spider area indicated in the pattern. A dremel, linoleum cutter, or other sharp object used to scrape will work. Carving or scraping deeper may be necessary to get light to shine through. Poke two holes fully through the pumpkin for the eyes.

6. Saw dot to dot in the area marked ‘remove’ keeping the blade at a 90° angle being careful not to apply too much pressure. Start from the center and push the cut piece out gently from the inside of the pumpkin. Carefully support the pumpkin in areas already carved when carving new areas if needed.

7. Place light inside and put the lid back on. Deepen the scraped area if necessary.