Questions for Classroom Discussion

The Costume Contest

- **What is the best way to choose a costume that suits you well?**
  ⇒ Consider your personality and defining characteristics… these can be traits that are obvious to everyone, or things that might surprise others about you
  ⇒ Consider your hobbies and interests, and what person (or thing) you would enjoy transforming yourself into
  ⇒ Consider how much effort you are willing to put into a costume, as well as other "logistical" factors (cost, comfort, size, etc.)

- **What are popular themes of costumes that you may want to consider when choosing your own?**
  ⇒ Consider popular characters, such as movie roles, superheroes, or famous people
  ⇒ Consider the classic costumes, such as animals, witches, princesses, pirates, and cheerleaders
  ⇒ Consider how inanimate objects can be costumes, such as a crayon, a type of food, or even a Lego man

- **What are the factors to consider if you are creating a homemade costume?**
  ⇒ Consider the budget for your costume and how detailed you want to make it (which will most likely impact the cost)
  ⇒ Consider the amount of time it will take you to secure all of the materials for your costume and to put it together
  ⇒ Consider the comfort level of your costume, as well as what the weather might be when you are wearing it
  ⇒ Consider how others will react to your costume, as well as specific criteria the judges may have provided for choosing the winning costume