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Just ahead was the door to the mansion, when Jack pointed to the **LEFT**. "Let's go around that way first!" They walked past the pumpkins to the **LEFT**, until a noise made Sam turn to the **RIGHT**. "It's just the wind," Sam said. But, Lucy didn't think so—she could've sworn she saw a shadow jump to the **RIGHT**! She tugged at Jack's arm and they took a hasty step to the **LEFT**, just to be safe.

Inside, the hall went both to the **LEFT** and to the **RIGHT**. "Which way do we go?" Lucy asked nervously. Jack confidently pointed over to the **RIGHT**, so they all went that way. But immediately upon walking, a ghostly wail stopped them in their tracks. "Maybe we should go the other way," said Jack. In an instant, they whirled around and ran quickly to the **LEFT**. Just then, they saw a flickering light to the **RIGHT**. "It's only a candle," Sam said loudly. He stepped closer, and as they did, the groaning of the floor underneath their feet began.

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