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Haunting Suppliers, Expected and Unexpected:

Uncialle is a veteran, even as spirits go! Over the ages, she has sniffed out many sources of materials you can use to make your own Halloween celebration very shivery! Listed below are sources where you can find these materials. Some of these sources you might expect to have creepy commodities -- but others are very unlikely Halloween sources indeed. Sources of materials that can be combined to produce a case of the screaming willies range from your own supermarket, to -- well -- have a look below!

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Halloween Online has an online catalogue of fine things especially made for haunting your castle.

Oriental Trading Company is essential! OTC has the best prices on glow sticks and glow necklaces, and most importantly, the best price on votive candles, essential for jack o' lanterns. Uncialle's favorite 3-D jointed skeletons (look on the Sexton's Page to see one) are here. I have just purchased two more of these, so now have seven of the little creatures to place around the Stronghold. OTC also has the best price Uncialle has found on plastic hanging bats, glow in the dark snakes, and many, many strange critters from the world of plastic and resin. OTC puts out several Halloween-Edition catalogues each autumn.

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American Science and Surplus is a great, inexpensive source for "mad scientist's laboratory" flasks, test tubes, and other glassware. AmSci also has wonderful LED lighting kits, inexpensive "flattened marbles" that Uncialle uses each year for Treasure Hunt tokens, and many strange odds and ends that can be used in many projects (like CRIME SCENE DO NOT CROSS tape, or the DRAGON SKULL, for example). The catalogues provide Halloween inspiration galore, and are screamingly funny!

Things You Never Knew Existed, the Johnson Smith Company has especially fine masks at reasonable prices, but my favorite things are the fake-flame torches. At a little distance these ARE fire. I got one last year and loved it, so have just ordered three more. Try one in a window so trick-or-treaters can see it.

Cabela's! That's right -- the sporting goods giant has some WONDERFUL Halloween stuff! Look in the waterfowl decoys section. There you will find two spectacular Halloween props: 1. Crow Decoys! These are big, ravenlike, and cheap. They come in threes. 2. Also looking good and priced right is the Owl Decoy. Buy a bunch of crows and a couple of owls; these are big "bang for the buck" items in creating that Halloween atmosphere. They are virtually indestructible and quick to set up, too. Also, here you can find motorized duck decoys so you can construct the Pond Monster.

Anatomical Chart Company has some great charts of the skeleton and models of the brain, etc., that would be perfect for a mad scientist's laboratory -- BUT, the best thing is the plastic brain mold, perfect for making life-sized Jell-O brains! New this year and intriguing is a product described as a "soft plastic life-size brain that glows in the dark." I might have to have this one!

What On Earth this year has a wonderful NEW skeleton-just-emerging-from-theground. I have already ordered it!

Toscano without doubt has the BEST GARGOYLES going! They are not cheap, but they are wonderfully menacing --and permanent. Also catching Uncialle's eye in the current Toscano catalogue is an octopus-stool, way beyond weird.

Museum Replicas Limited. This company has simply wonderful wizards' robes, monks' robes, and hooded cloaks, as well as beautiful swords and daggers both authentic and fantastic. The Celtic Skull is very nice, too!

The Pyramid Company is another favorite of Uncialle's. Discover finely crafted pentagram pendants, witches' brooms, solstice jewelry, fantastical votives and goblets, crystal balls, gothic dresses, all lovely, lovely. I love the sign that reads: Witch Parking Only, All Others Will Be Toad!

Rick's Movie Graphics. This is the ultimate movie-poster shop! Display a poster of Bela Lugosi as Dracula, Boris Karloff as Frankenstein's monster, or the jack o' lantern/knife image from the original Halloween the Movie poster. Rick's has everything

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from Harry Potter to a sinister poster of the Nazgul from The Lord of the Rings, to The Crow, Evil Dead, The Mummy, Nightmare Before Christmas, Psycho -- you name it. These are quite collectible and just the thing to lend a little class to a special wall space at Halloween time.

Uncialle's Darksite Shirts Don't forget to wear the Darksite!

Your Own Supermarket is last, but NOT least! At the supermarket are: PUMPKINS, for one thing! Other supermarket Halloween supplies: the materials for blood and for slime, Jell-O for making the Heart Throb, Jellohead, and for "tub of guts" salads. Creepy comestibles of every type abound, including food coloring, frosting that you can tint a nice evil green, Devil's Food cake mix, and Pillsbury's sugar cookies that come in refrigerator rolls with Halloween designs built right into the dough for you to slice off and bake. Your supermarket will also have Indian corn for decorating, grapes for making fake eyeballs, cuphooks for hanging bats and ghosts, lighter wands for lighting your jack o' lanterns, and many other things. The list is almost endless.

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