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The Great Pumpkin Carving Showdown

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The fierce competition initially created rivalries between them. However, as the contest progressed, they realized the importance of teamwork and formed a deep bond. In the end, their competition led to unexpected friendships.
2. The tie in the contest's outcome showcased the equal talent and creativity of both Tom and Lisa's forest-themed pumpkin and Sarah and Mike's castle pumpkin. This unexpected result left the townspeople in awe and demonstrated that success could be achieved through different approaches and talents.
3. After the contest, Tom, Lisa, Sarah, and Mike celebrated by combining their talents to create a joint pumpkin carving masterpiece. This decision symbolized their friendship and collaboration, which ultimately won the hearts of everyone in Maplewood.
4. Answers may vary, but some possibilities include them continuing to work together and create more impressive pumpkin carvings, becoming renowned pumpkin carving artists in Maplewood, or using their talents for other creative projects.

