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TRICK or TREAT, Please Don't Leave Traffic from your FEET!

The first thing you need to do is keep your carpet vacuumed. This is probably the single most important and effective thing you can do. For normal traffic areas, you could probably get away with vacuuming once per week. But we are talking about high traffic, so you may want to get into a habit of vacuuming every other day. This will keep the dirt, dust, and other particles from accumulating in your carpet. Without heavy accumulation there won' be so much getting pushed into the carpet on a daily basis.

Another tip is to use doormats in front of your home's entrances. This will reduce the amount of outside elements being carried in by feet. An even better idea is to have a "no shoes in the house" policy. This will not only reduce the amount of outside rubbish being brought in, it will also be much gentler on your carpet. Socks are softer than shoes. Your carpet knows this too.

Always clean up any spills or pet accidents as soon as you see them. Getting these clean right away will reduce the possibility of permanent staining. The best thing you can do for spills or stains is to wipe up as much as possible, immediately. Try **Heaven's Best Professional Cleaning Sprays!**



One last thing to remember, have a professional carpet cleaner give your carpet a thorough cleaning once or twice a year. This will ensure that whatever you missed during your regular maintenance gets cleaned up. It's like having a safety net. Plus, this should put your carpet back to square one after each professional cleaning. As long as you do your routine maintenance your carpet should look fantastic year round.

Fun Fact:

Although it is unknown precisely where and when the phrase "trick or treat" was coined, the custom had been firmly established in American popular culture by 1951, when trick-or-treating was depicted in the Peanuts comic strip. In 1952, Disney produced a cartoon called "Trick or Treat" featuring Donald Duck and his nephews Huey, Dewey and Louie.



Toasted Pumpkin Seeds Recipes

Don't toss those pumpkin seeds! Toast or roast pumpkin seeds in your oven in no time at all using these simple recipes. The seeds may be salted or spiced to suit your palate. The shells are edible and are a good source of fiber. Use these methods with other seeds such as acorn squash and butternut squash. Pumpkin seeds are also known as *pepitas*.



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Candy Corn Pretzel Hugs

Ingredients:

- *Circle or Square-shaped Pretzels
- *Hershey 's Kisses Hugs (or any flavor Kiss)
- *Candy Corn

Directions:

- 1. Preheat oven to **250F** degrees.
- 2. Line baking sheet with parchment paper or a silicone baking mat. Align pretzels on the sheet. Unwrap Hugs and place one on each pretzel. Stick in the oven until the hug begins to melt down. Mine took about 4 minutes.
- 3. While the Hugs are melting in the oven, get your candy corn ready because you will have to move quickly once the pretzels are out of the oven.
- 4. Remove pretzel hugs from oven and gently press a candy corn down on each one. The Hug should flatten out when you press the candy corn on it. If it is not flattening out, place the pretzel hugs back in the oven for **30 more seconds**.
- 5. Let the pretzel hugs cool completely and let the chocolate set for about 10 minutes in the refrigerator. These are a great make ahead treat: make them 1-3 days before you need them and store covered in the refrigerator.

