

Day of the Dead Quest Sheets

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Octavio Paz writes the Mexican has no problems with death that he "... chases after it, mocks it, courts it, hugs it, sleeps with it, it is his favorite plaything and his most lasting love." In your opinion, how is this idea similar to or different from our "United States" view on death?

- Most people in the United States have a fear of death which is different compared to a Mexicans view of death. Americans also view that death is a cruel thing that can bring much sadness as well as hardships for people or a family.

When is All Saints Day and All Souls Day celebrated?

- All Saints Day is celebrated on November 1st and All Souls Day is celebrated on November 2nd.

Even though each region in Mexico celebrates Day of the Dead differently, what are things that they do have in common.

- Some common elements throughout the country of Mexico can include colorful adornments and reunions to remember deceased friends and family members. Altars are typically built for family members that may include marigolds, sugar skulls, food, etc.
- November 1 is reserved to remember infants and children
- November 2 is reserved to remember all deceased adults

From mid-October to the first week in November, what are some of the items markets and shops stock up on?

- Typically they will stock up on sugar skulls, marigolds, and candles as they are a usual symbol of El dia de los muertos.

List 5 edible goodies enjoyed on Day of the Dead.

- 1) Skulls made from sugar.
- 2) Coffins made from sugar.
- 3) Chocolate
- 4) Amaranth seeds
- 5) Baked goods (pan de muerto)

What are some things that are used to create an altar?

- A table and downside up wooden crates. Sentimental items are placed on the structure such as candles, pictures, etc.

What occurs on November 2?

- Families will go to cemeteries and have festivals to commemorate the dead. This is known as All Saints Day.

How do Aztecs view death?

- The Aztecs viewed death as a blessing.

In Mixquic, what takes place to celebrate Day of the Dead?

- All of the people that live within the city begin preparations in October and create altars inside of their homes. People are allowed to come into their homes and view the altars that they have made to commemorate those that have died. Other festivities include a coffin being walked through the streets with a white skeleton inside.

Food Quest Sheet

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Who is la Katrina?

- La Katrina is the sign of the Day of the Dead, she is a skeleton that is wearing a dress and a hat.

What are some foods that are made during Day of the Dead?

- Pan de muerto, favorite foods of the dead.

What are the different types of Pan de Muertos or Bread of the Dead?

- All different shapes and sizes of bread are made. Most of the distinctions are in the type of seeds used in the bread.

What do children love to eat?

- Sugar skulls

What is the purpose of having a glass of water at the altar?

- The skulls are thirsty and tired and are in need of something to drink. Therefore, they put water on the altar.

In your own words, describe the cemeteries in Mexico? What do you like or dislike about the cemetery decorations?

- I think that it is good how in the Mexican culture, the cemeteries can view death as something that is happy. It is interesting how they can view death as something that is not necessarily bad but sometimes even a good. Also, I like how families can look at the cemeteries and be happy this day instead of mourning for lost loved ones like in the United States.

Look at the two recipes along the right side of the page. Would you eat either one of these recipes? What do you like and do not like about each?

I would like to eat the bread because I had some of it last year and I greatly enjoyed it. I would not eat the pumpkin candy because I am not a fan of candy.

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Wordplay Quest Sheet

Unscramble the vocabulary word, then using the glossary, write the definition.

1. Avlasecr- cavalaras
2. Oelm- mole
3. Lpoalic- copalli
4. Otlae- atole
5. Gatnielso- angelitos
6. Tacera- careta
7. Acavler- calavera
8. Fodraen- ofrenda
9. Qfelnaieu- alfrenique
10. apn ed osl ermtuso- pan de muertos
11. zpmachtcleui- cempazuchitl

Definitions

1. songs and poems about the festivals.
2. A sauce made from fruits and vegetables

3. A resin that is used to create a nice smell
4. A drink made from corn meal, water, and fruit
5. Souls of dead children
6. Masks worn by dancers to scare away souls
7. A skull
8. An offering
9. A special way
10. All saints day
11. A yellow marigold, the symbol of death

Day of the Dead vs. Halloween

Day of the Dead	Both	Halloween
Remembrance of those who have died. Happy decorations Wear nice clothes Take a trip to the cemetery Make special food (ex. Pan de Muerto) November 1st	Commonly celebrated holiday People dress up Decorations are placed in home and around town	Scary decorations of Honor the deceased Wear a costume Go to homes of people Trick or treat