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# Día de los Muertos/Day of the Dead - Answer Key

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Día de los Muertos originated from \_\_\_\_\_ traditions.

- A. Mayan
- ☒ B. Aztec
- C. Olmec
- D. Toltec

2. What do families usually offer their loved ones as they journey to the afterlife?

- A. Stamps and letters
- ☒ C. Water and food
- B. Clothing and money
- D. Jewelry and keys

3. According to the Aztecs, where do people travel to after they die?

- A. The stars
- C. Ofrendas
- B. Place of birth
- ☒ D. Mictlán

4. What religion did the Spanish want to spread after their conquest of the Aztec Empire?

- A. Buddhism
- C. Hinduism
- B. Judaism
- ☒ D. Catholicism

5. When is Día de los Muertos celebrated?

- ☒ A. November 1st and 2nd
- C. November 2nd and 3rd
- B. October 31st and November 1st
- D. Only on November 1st

6. What is the general mood like on Día de los Muertos?

- A. Somber
- ☒ B. Celebratory
- C. Gloomy
- D. Melancholy

7. Why are altars decorated with marigolds during Día de los Muertos?

- A. To serve as gifts for people to take home after the celebrations
- ☒ B. Because marigolds are thought to guide the souls to the altars
- C. Because marigolds are plentiful in Mexico
- D. Because marigolds are durable flowers and can last a long time

8. \_\_\_\_\_ of the dead is an essential offering on the altars.

- A. Cookies
- B. Chocolate
- ☒ C. Bread
- D. Rice

9. Why do people wear makeup resembling skulls?

- A. To scare away evil spirits
- B. To hide their identities from others
- C. To make it easy for them to play tricks on others
- ☒ D. To let the dead know that they are welcome

10. Día de los Muertos is strongly associated with which country?

- A. Morocco
- B. Malaysia
- C. Mali
- ☒ D. Mexico