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Date _____

Día de los Muertos/Day of the Dead

Read each question and circle the correct answer.

1. Día de los Muertos originated from _____ traditions.

A. Mayan

C. Olmec

B. Aztec

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

C. Gloomy

B. Celebratory

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