

1. How does the Day of the Dead, "Día de los Muertos" compare to our Halloween? What traditions are similar? What traditions are different?

Some ways that "Día de los Muertos" compare to Halloween is that it falls at the same time, it involves family sometimes, food (mainly candy), music, skeletons and skulls are a common thing in "Día de los Muertos" and they are also common in Halloween. There are also decorations, and sometimes there are candles. Some ways that they are different are that Halloween is meant to be a fun but scary time for people, but "Día de los Muertos" is meant to be a fun while special time because you are welcoming the spirits back of loved ones who had passed. When "Día de los Muertos" comes around they have three days to celebrate it, there is dancing, they have a big meal, and they also use different decorations than we use for Halloween. During Halloween, we give out candy or chocolate but for "Día de los Muertos" they give out a bread called "Pan."

2. How does making an "ofrenda" compare to putting up a Christmas tree?

Making an "ofrenda" is different from putting a Christmas tree because when you put up an "ofrenda" would include a picture of who passed away, a bowl of fruit, a favorite drink of that they liked, a chicken leg or sandwich, and then all around it. Sometimes they will put skeletons or skulls out showing something that the person who passed liked to do.

3. Which part of this holiday would you like best?

I think I would like most of the holiday, because it would be a fun time, interacting with family members you might not get to see often, or just be with friends.

4. Which part of the holiday would you not like?

I'm not sure if there isn't something that I wouldn't like about the holiday, I feel like it would all be interesting to me because I haven't actually celebrated it, so I think it would be cool to try it.

5. How are any of the traditions that you read about similar or different to your cultural/family/religious traditions?

They are similar because like the similarities in Halloween, my family does some of the same things, the "Día de los Muertos" is different because we haven't actually celebrated it.

6. Write 1-2 sentences in Spanish to reflect your understanding of the reading or traditional aspects of this holiday.

Los Día de los Muertos es un evento eso, último tres días. El tres días es un feliz tiempo, no es un dar miedo tiempo. Los Día de los Muertos es un tiempo a bienvenido espíritu reverso de nuestros seres queridos quién pasar.