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Reflection

The woman that I chose to write about is my Aunt Eunice. My Aunt Eunice is my two times great aunt. She passed away before I was born. She was from Johnson City, Tennessee. Her parents were slaves. She was a very religious woman, she was a Christian. She always kept her bible open to one specific scripture and it was, Psalms 23. Psalms 23 states, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever." My Aunt Eunice ran lottery numbers for a living. My mother stated that she can not recall her ever having a real job. I think that this has a lot to do with why my mother loved her so much. She meant a lot to my mother which is why I chose her.

I chose to create my sugar skull in remembrance of her because I was not particularly close with any of my family members that passed away. My mother wasn't that close with any of our deceased family members except for her Aunt Eunice. Since Aunt Eunice passed away before I was born, I did not know her. However, she meant a great deal to my mother. She was my mother's favorite aunt. She was her favorite aunt because she took care of my mother and her sister. She always felt comfortable around her. My mother says her Aunt Eunice was really funny and fun to be around. She always felt that her Aunt Eunice loved her like a mother would love a daughter. This is important to me because it is comforting knowing that my mother had someone that she could go to when needed. My sugar skull was created with this in my mind.

My sugar skull is mainly blue. My Aunt Eunice's favorite color was blue. Blue is also my mother's and I favorite color. This is one reason why I chose to have blue as my central idea for the sugar skull. I also chose blue because it is a calm and comforting color. As stated before comfort is what my mother felt when she was with her Aunt Eunice. The blue flowers on her head represent her flower night gowns. My mother says she distinctly remembers Aunt Eunice always wear floral patterned night gowns. The flowers on the sugar are in the shape of a mohawk. I chose to make the flowers a mohawk because the mohawk signifies her funny personality. I left the teeth of the skull white and outlined because she really loved her teeth. My mother says she always made her and her sister brush their teeth before bed and the first thing in the morning. This is how my skull reflected my Aunt Eunice.

Through the Día de los Muertos project I have learned a lot about my Aunt Eunice. And even though I did not know her I feel like I did. Also, hearing and talking to my mother about my Aunt Eunice I can see a lot of her in my mother. Just like my mother felt about my Aunt Eunice I feel about her. When I am with my mother I feel so comfortable. I know that I can talk to my mother about anything. My mom has a really lax personality just like she described about my Aunt Eunice.

Learning about Día de los Muertos has made me open to learning about more Día de los Muertos traditions. When we looked at the examples of a few global traditions I was very

interested in them. The one that I found most interesting and relatable was, Colombia. In Colombia a common tradition is to visit the graveyard site of their loved ones and leave their loved ones favorite items or flowers. This something that my family does, However, it is not an annual thing. It made me think about starting our own family tradition. The tradition would be visiting the gravesite of our loved ones annually and leaving flowers or items. The things that would make our tradition different is when we're there we will share kind words and food with one another. Learning about Día de los Muertos has made me open to try new things that involve Día de los Muertos. Birthda

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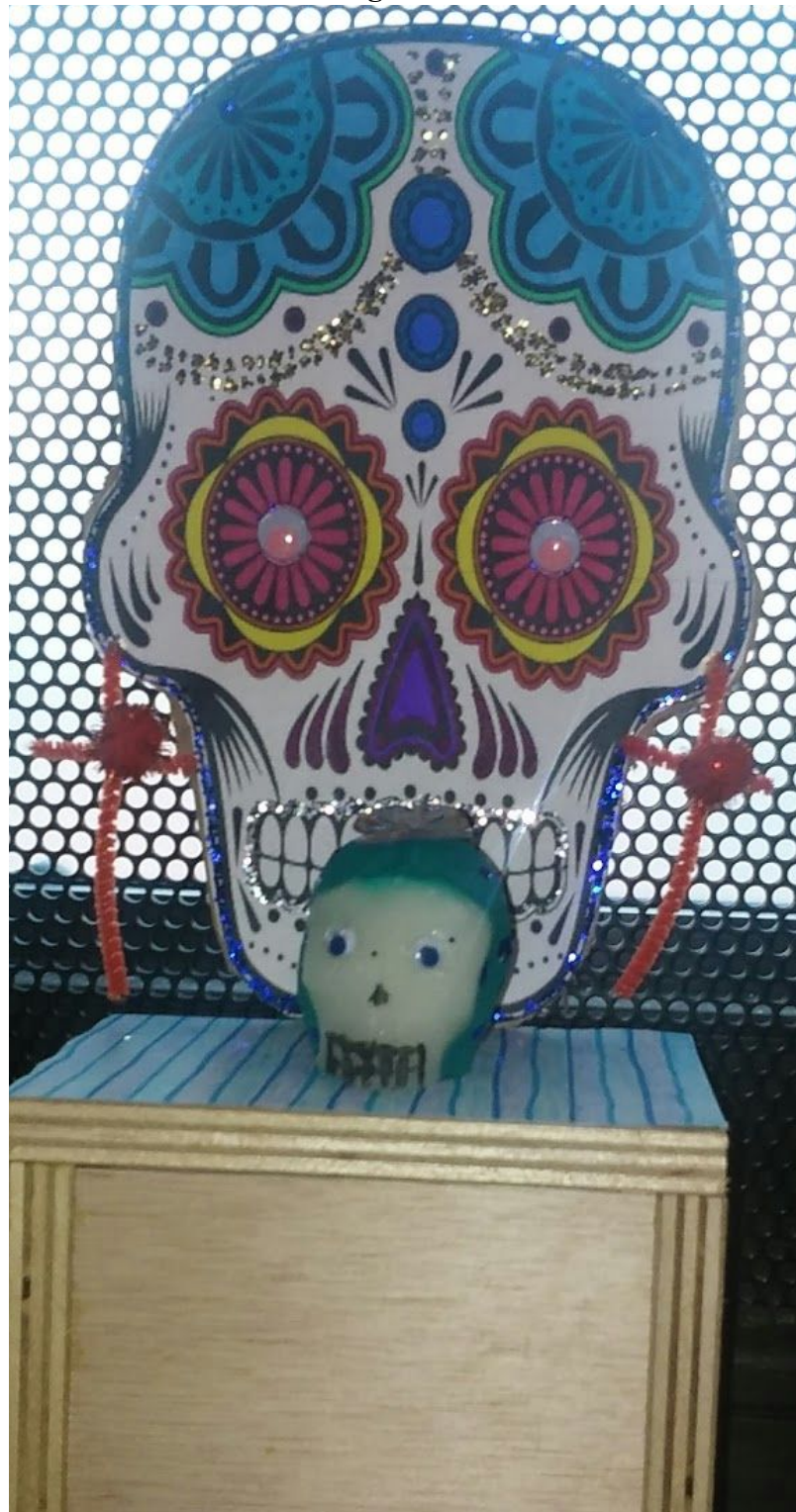
Mi nombre es Patience Elliott. Yo estoy en la undécima grada. Yo soy la sobrina de tía Eunice.

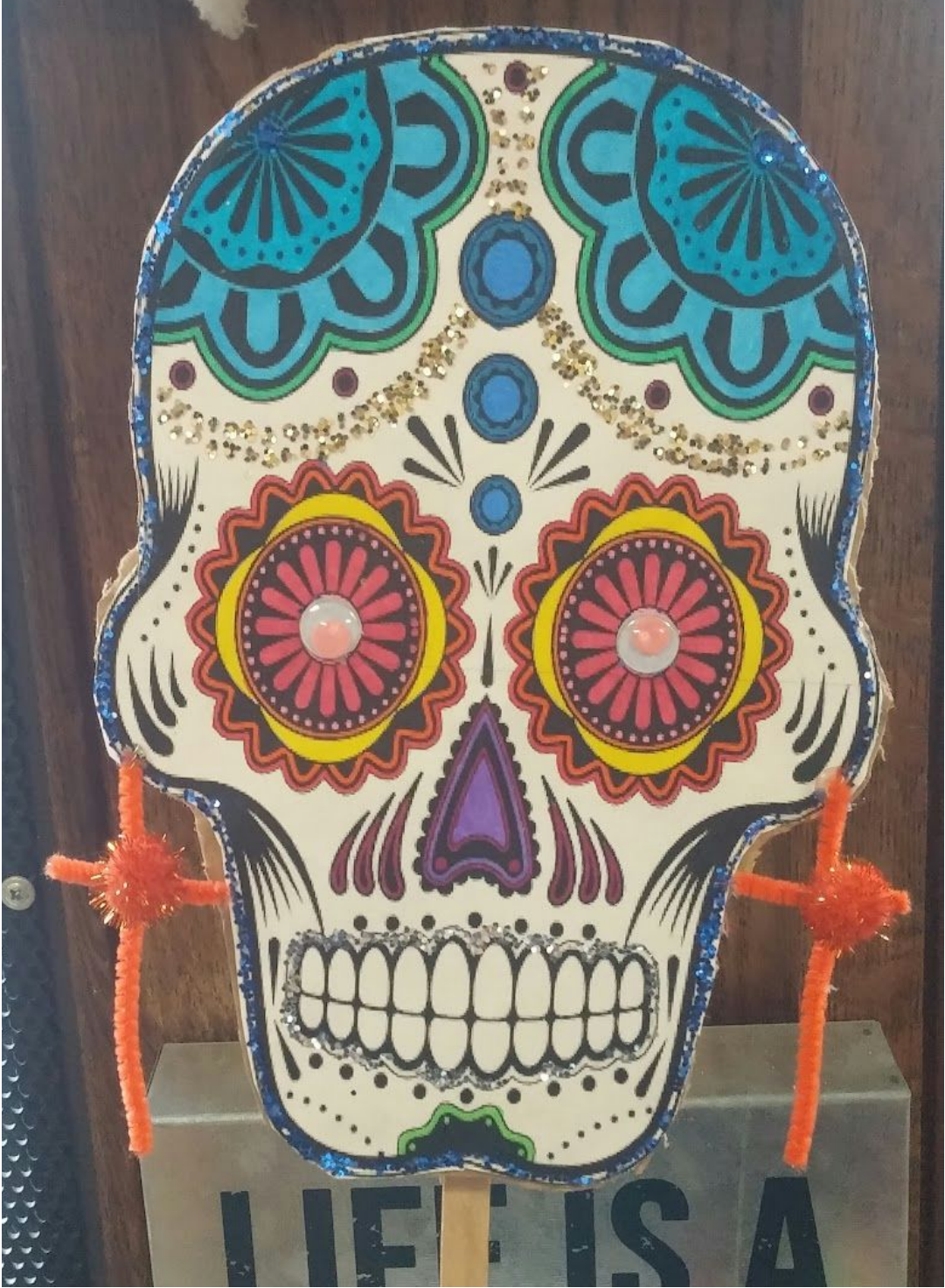
Tía Eunice fue de la ciudad de Johnson. Ella fue cultivada en la misa. Tía Eunice fue una cristiana. Ella fue la tía de mi madre. Ella fue talentosa en matemáticas. Ella fue morena. ¡Tía Eunice fue muy cómica!

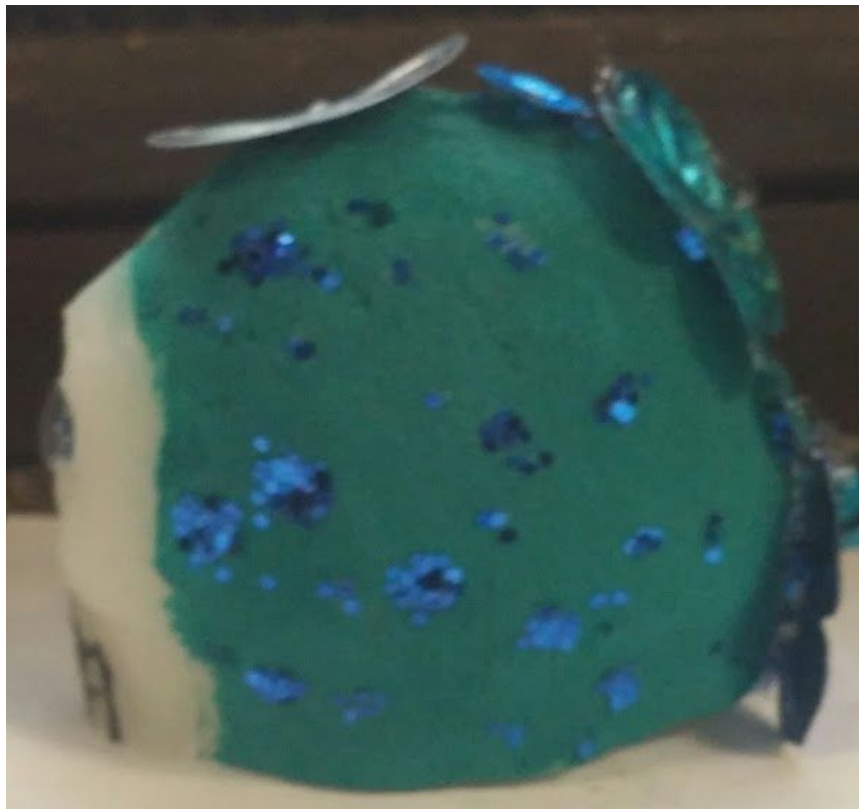
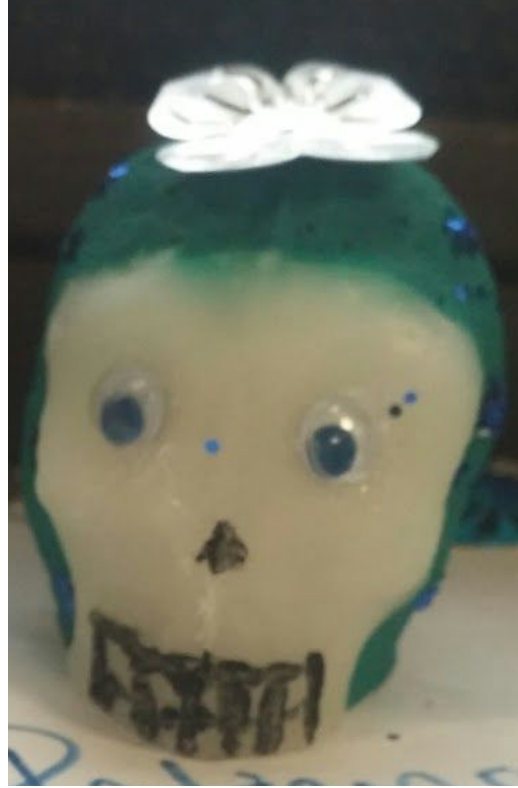
Yo vivo en Filadelfia. Yo quiero ir a Johnson Ciudad a visitar la tumba de Tía Eunice. Cuando yo hablo como ella yo estoy triste. Yo estoy feliz porque yo sabo ella fue en un buen sitio.

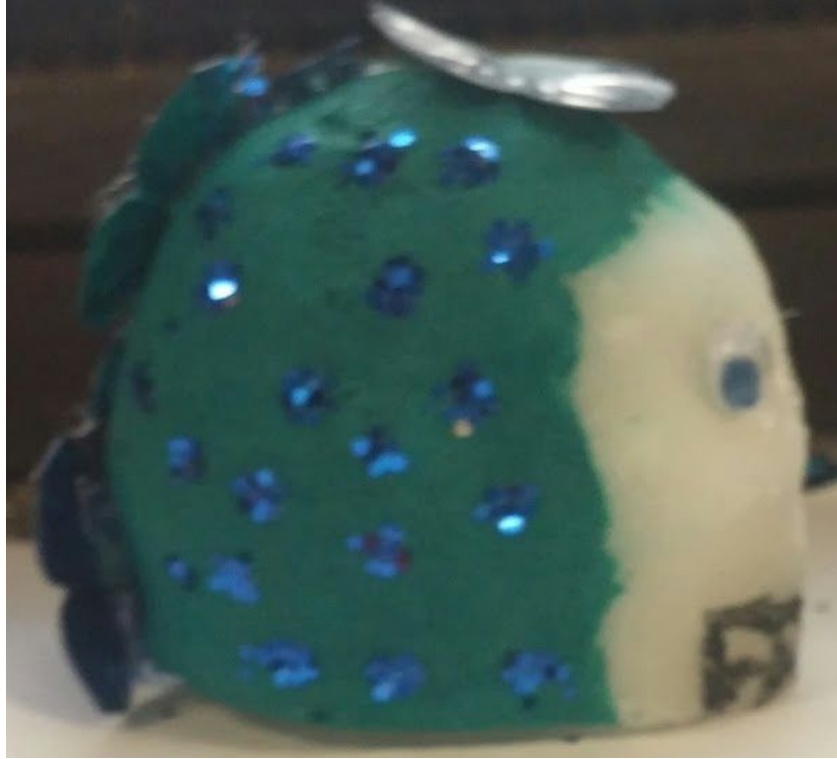
Tía Eunice estuvo una persona bien. Ella gustar a ayudar la gente. Yo quiero estoy igual ella.

Pictures of Sugar Skull and Mask









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