



Dia de los Muertos/Day of the Dead Classroom Resources



During the Mexican holiday of Day of the Dead, or *Día de los Muertos*, families pay respect to their departed loved ones, whose spirits are believed to return on this day. Offerings of marigolds, candles, sugar skulls, fruit, and *pan de muerto* are placed on an altar around the deceased's grave. Families may also put photographs and their loved one's favorite food on the alter. The day is spent eating, drinking, and celebrating those who have passed. The Day of the Dead is held November 1, but alters may be constructed and visited before or after, typically between October 28 and November 4. In this document, you will find additional classroom resources to help you celebrate Day of the Dead with your students!

Activity Packs

34-Page Day of the Dead Craft Activity Printable Pack (*K-5th Grade*):

<https://happythought.co.uk/product/day-of-the-dead-craft-activity>, \$5.00

21-Page AZCentral Activity Pack (*K-5th Grade*):

http://archive.azcentral.com/ent/dead/teachers/teacherpacket_edited.pdf, Free

20-Page Mexic-Arte Day of the Dead Activity Guide (*3-8th Grade*):

http://www.mexic-artemuseum.org/images/uploads/education/Day_of_Dead_Guide.pdf, Free

Readings and Articles - English

Dia de los Muertos - National Geographic (*3-5th Grade*): <http://bit.ly/1mdvWzO>, Free

Day of the Dead & the Sugar Skull Tradition (*3-8th Grade*): <http://bit.ly/1us1ceF>, Free

The Day of the Dead (UNM) (*3-8th Grade*): <http://bit.ly/1iff9Yq>, Free

Ecuadorian Holidays (*3-8th Grade*): <http://bit.ly/1O3V5rJ>, Free

Day of the Dead History: Indigenous people wouldn't let 'Day of the Dead' die (*6-12th Grade*):

<http://bit.ly/1lxSBCx>, Free

Celebrating Day of the Dead in Mexico (*6-12th Grade*): <http://bit.ly/1QGnjIT>, Free

Mexico...in small bytes: Noche de Muertos or Mexican Day of the Dead in Pátzcuaro, Michoacán, México (*6-12th Grade*): <http://bit.ly/1X6emet>, Free

The Days of the Dead in Latin America (*6-12th Grade*): <http://bit.ly/20GPLz3>, Free

Peru: Dia de los Difuntos (Day of the Deceased) in Lima and Cuzco (*6-12th Grade*):

bit.ly/1nJM0u1, Free

Readings and Articles - Spanish

Día de Difuntos en Colombia (3-8th Grade): <http://bit.ly/1SLxkqi>, Free

Altar de Muertos (3-8th Grade): <http://bit.ly/1TV3now>, Free

Tradiciones en México para el Día de Muertos (3-8th Grade): <http://bit.ly/1Pp1HjM>, Free

Día de los Muertos - Historia (3-8th Grade): <http://bit.ly/1wlhPKH>, Free

Día de los Muertos - Costumbres (3-8th Grade): <http://bit.ly/1KIdElW>, Free

México y Japón, donde los difuntos van de fiesta (6-12th Grade): <http://bit.ly/1WgqQ2f>, Free

Día de Muertos en Atlapexco (9-12th Grade): bit.ly/23ZiXUy, Free

Una aproximación a la historia del Día de los Muertos en Lima. Siglos XIX y XX (9-12th Grade): <http://bit.ly/1SKwo7r>, Free

Craft Projects

Mexican Paper Marigolds (K-2nd Grade):

<http://www.teachkidsart.net/mexican-paper-marigolds-for-day-of-dead/>

Mexican Cheese Skull Empanadas #CaciqueRecipes (K-5th Grade):

<http://www.craftychica.com/2014/10/cheese-apple-skull-empanadas/>

Glass Jar Shrines (3-5th Grade): <http://www.craftychica.com/2011/03/glass-jar-shrines/>

Easy-to-Make Papel Picado Calavera (3-5th Grade):

<https://happythought.co.uk/craft/papel-picado-calaveras>

How to "Sugar Skull" Your Online Portrait (3-8th Grade):

<http://www.craftychica.com/2012/10/how-to-sugar-skull-your-online-portrait/>

Make-Your-Own Sugar Skulls

How to Make Life-Sized Skulls: <http://www.art-is-fun.com/making-sugar-skulls>

How to Make Small Skulls: <http://www.art-is-fun.com/how-to-make-sugar-skulls/>

Wide Variety of Small Plastic Molds: <http://bit.ly/1PA7aFY>, \$9-13.00

Life-Sized Skull Molds: <http://amzn.to/1OWsX6M>, \$49.99

Small Metal Molds: <http://amzn.to/1ShwGjQ>, \$26.99

Pre-made Decorated Sugar Skulls

Reign Trading Company: <http://bit.ly/1Phz4Tw>, \$7-85.00

Bonanza: <http://bit.ly/1VoBbsh>, \$27.99 and bit.ly/1QzMVJi, \$27.99

Jet.com: <http://bit.ly/1QqoZGo>, \$40.66

Amazon: <http://amzn.to/1PQf1er>, \$46.99