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**Day of the Dead**

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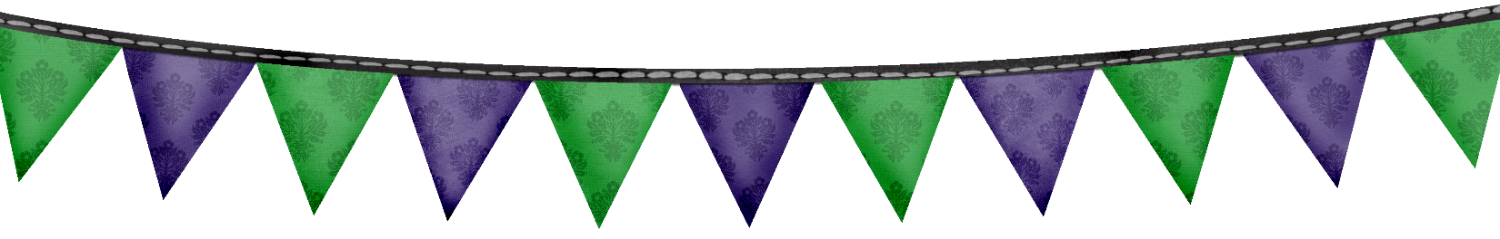
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**Instructions for use:**

This free product is a collection of links to three short videos on YouTube that focus on the traditions surrounding Day of the Dead in Mexico. The video links are provided at the top of each worksheet. In addition, the three videos and two extra videos can be viewed together in my blog: <http://senoritasspanishclass.blogspot.com/>

Each of the three videos have 8-10 comprehension questions (written in English) that ask students about the various traditions that are celebrated with Day of the Dead. Students can respond to these questions in English or in Spanish if preferred.

Answer keys are included for each worksheet.

It is suggested that students watch these videos on separate days to accompany a unit or class discussion on Day of the Dead. The videos range from 3-7 minutes long and are a nice way to “hook” students for a lesson on Day of the Dead.

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Señorita’s Spanish Class

**Día de los Muertos - 1**

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*Answer the following questions while watching this video about Day of the Dead celebrations in Mexico:* [*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yUIHhSOd1GI*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yUIHhSOd1GI) *(6:55)*

1. When is Day of the Dead celebrated?

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1. Which two countries does the video focus on?

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1. Day of the Dead is a mix of which two cultures and traditions?

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1. Is it a sad holiday?

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1. What do people believe happens on Day of the Dead (generally speaking)?

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1. What is a pretty constant tradition no matter where you are in Mexico?

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1. What do people do while at the cemetery?

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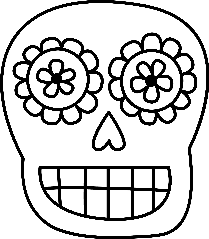
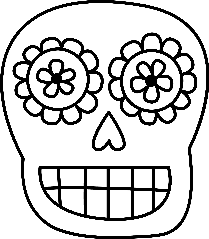
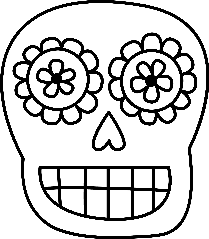
1. What items are usually on the altars?

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1. Why is there water at the altar?

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1. Skulls are everywhere in Mexico! What types of skulls do they mention in the video?

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**Día de los Muertos - 2**

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*Answer the following questions while watching this video about Day of the Dead “ofrendas” created by young students in Minneapolis:* [*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j5vs3RcYAyg*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j5vs3RcYAyg) *(3:42)*

1. Why are the *ofrendas* created?

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1. Day of the Dead is a mix of what two things?

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1. What is one of the goals of the holiday?

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1. Who do the students’ *ofrendas* honor?

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1. What types of things are included on the altars?

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1. The *ofrendas* act as what for the students?

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1. What does the bright color of the flowers help to do?

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1. What is the goal of the *ofrenda?*

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1. Why did the museum choose to focus on “young people’s” *ofrendas*?

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**Día de los Muertos - 3**

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*Answer the following questions while watching this animated video about a girl’s fictional experience with Day of the Dead:* [*https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCQnUuq-TEE*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jCQnUuq-TEE) *(3:07)*

1. What is the girl’s attitude of her family member’s death in the first seconds of the video?

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1. Where does the girl end up?

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1. What’s the recurring symbol in the video?

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1. How does the girl act when she’s in the new world at first?

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1. How do the skeletons act in the new world? Are they happy or scary?

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1. How does the girl’s attitude change throughout the video?

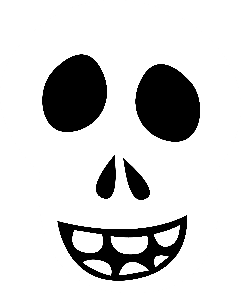
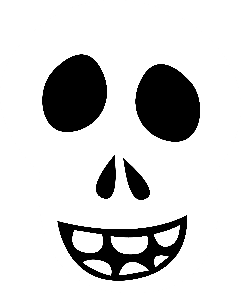
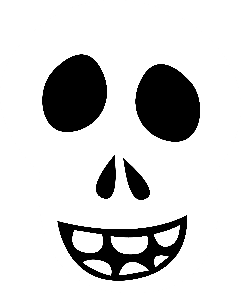
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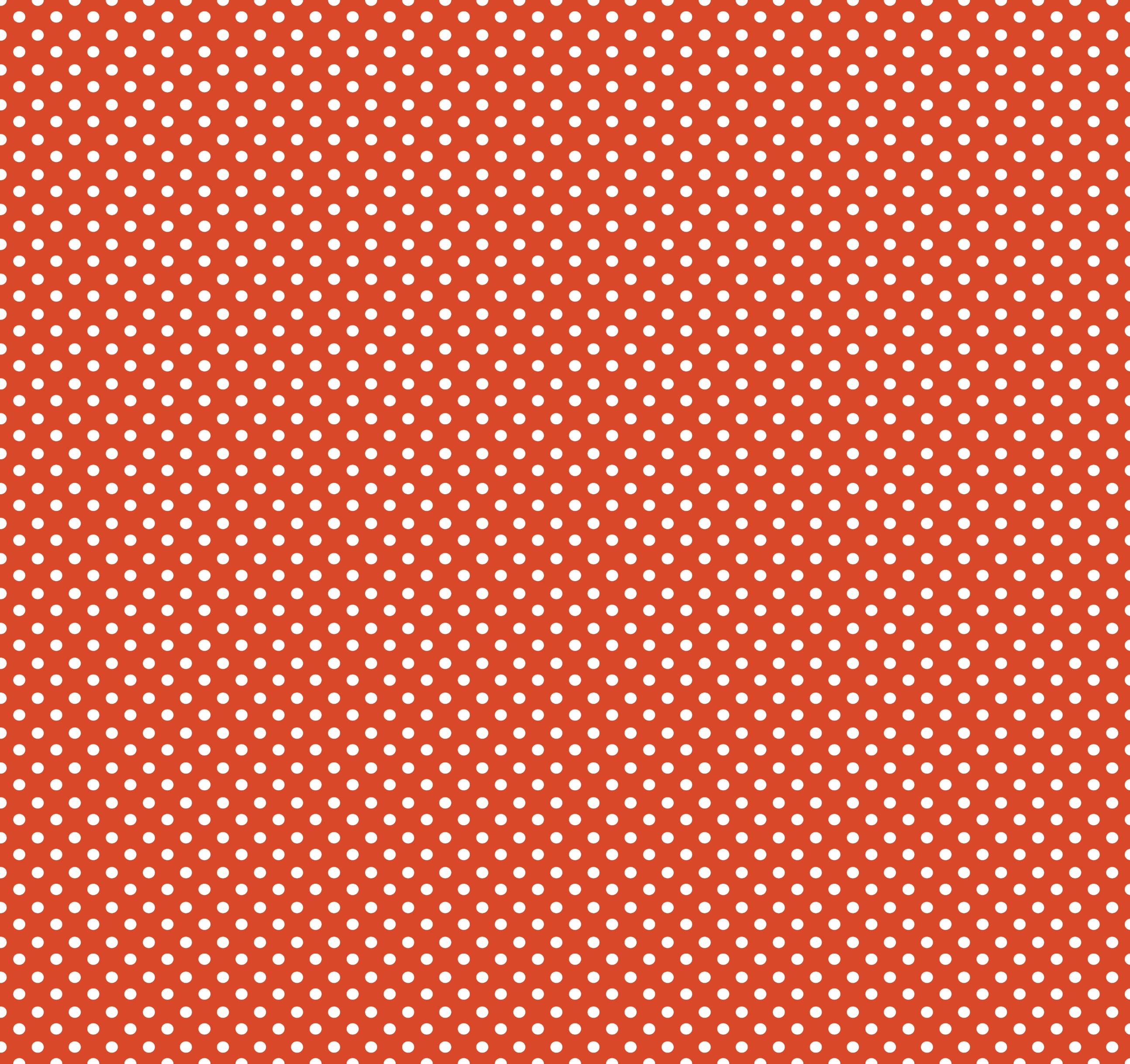
1. Who is the skeleton in the end?

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1. What does the blue flower symbolize in your opinion?

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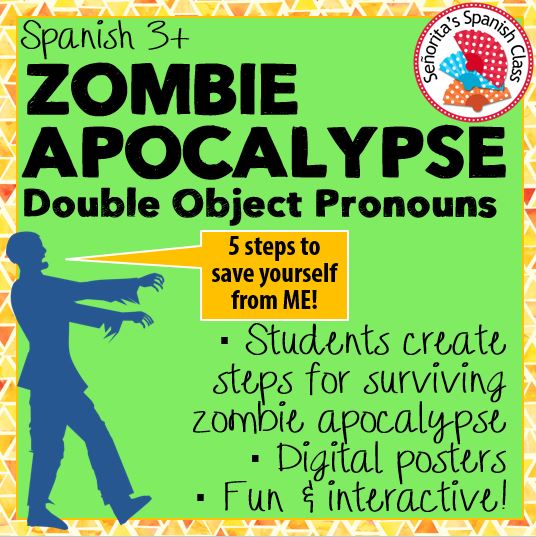
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