6.9 Customs and Festivals in Spanish-Speaking Countries: Test Pack

AQA 8692 · about 20 minutes

Total Marks

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Accents, the enye and inverted punctuation are used correctly in the printed Spanish prompts; write them correctly in your own answers too. Spend about 20 minutes on the whole pack.

1 Vocabulary gap-fill: complete each sentence about customs at Navidad, Día de los Muertos and Semana Santa. Context: common words used in these festivals.

(a) En España, el 6 de enero los niños reciben regalos por el Día de los _____. **(1)**

(b) En México, las familias decoran altares con flores y _____ para Día de los Muertos. **(1)**

(c) Durante la Semana Santa hay procesiones con pasos y _____ que representan escenas religiosas. **(1)**

(d) En Navidad muchas familias comen turrón y otros _____ típicos. **(1)**

(e) En algunas regiones, los vecinos se visten con _____ tradicionales durante la fiesta. **(1)**

(f) En las celebraciones, la música y los bailes fomentan la _____ comunitaria. **(1)**

(Total for Question 1 is 6 marks)

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2 Grammar multiple choice: choose the best option to complete each sentence about festival customs. Context named in each item.

(a) El año pasado, para la procesión, ellos _____ las velas la noche anterior. A: encenderán B: encienden C: encendiendo D: encendieron **(1)**

- ☐ A
- ☐ B
- ☐ C
- ☐ D

(b) Si vamos al festival mañana, _____ fotos de los disfraces. A: tomaríamos B: tomábamos C: tomaremos D: tomáramos **(1)**

- ☐ A
- ☐ B
- ☐ C
- ☐ D

(c) Ahora mismo, durante la fiesta, los jóvenes _____ música tradicional. A: escuchan B: escucharían C: escucharon D: escuchaban **(1)**

- ☐ A
- ☐ B
- ☐ C
- ☐ D

(d) Cuando era niño, siempre _____ a la cabalgata con mis primos. A: iré B: iba C: fui D: ido **(1)**

- ☐ A
- ☐ B
- ☐ C
- ☐ D

(e) Los altares se decoran con fotografías y _____ para recordar a los muertos. A: flores B: juguetes C: sombreros D: mesas **(1)**

- ☐ A
- ☐ B
- ☐ C
- ☐ D

(Total for Question 2 is 5 marks)

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3 Multiple choice: Which country or region is best known for this festival tradition? Choose A, B, C or D.

(a) Festival with decorated skull imagery and family altars to remember the dead. **(1)**

- ☐ A Argentina
- ☐ B Spain
- ☐ C Mexico
- ☐ D Peru

(b) Semana Santa processions with pasos and nazarenos are particularly famous in which country? **(1)**

- ☐ A Chile
- ☐ B Spain
- ☐ C Colombia
- ☐ D Guatemala

(c) Three Kings parades with gifts for children on 6 January are most associated with which country? **(1)**

- ☐ A Cuba
- ☐ B Mexico
- ☐ C Chile
- ☐ D Spain

(d) Festival where people make large parade floats and celebrate with cumbia and vallenato style music is commonly associated with which country? **(1)**

- ☐ A Colombia
- ☐ B Mexico
- ☐ C Spain
- ☐ D Peru

(e) Festival famous for giant papier-mache figures called 'mojigangas' appears especially in which country? **(1)**

- ☐ A Spain
- ☐ B Mexico
- ☐ C Ecuador
- ☐ D Argentina

(Total for Question 3 is 5 marks)

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4 True or false: read the sentence and say whether it is true or false in English. Context: Semana Santa in Spain.

(a) Sentence: 'En muchas ciudades de España, durante la Semana Santa las procesiones son silenciosas y no incluyen música.' Is this statement true or false? Explain briefly in English. **(4)**

(Total for Question 4 is 4 marks)

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Question 1

(a) Reyes **B1**

(a) Answer: Reyes

(b) ofrendas or velas or fotos or calaveras **B1**

(b) Answer: ofrendas

(c) estatuas or imágenes or figuras or tronos **B1**

(c) Answer: estatuas

(d) dulces or platos or postres **B1**

(d) Answer: dulces

(e) trajes or vestidos or ropas **B1**

(e) Answer: trajes

(f) unidad or participación or convivencia **B1**

(f) Answer: unidad

Question 2

(a) D - encendieron, preterite for a completed action the night before **B1**

(a) Answer: D

(b) C - tomaremos, simple future for a planned future action **B1**

(b) Answer: C

(c) A - escuchan, present tense for what is happening now (ahora mismo) **B1**

(c) Answer: A

(d) B - iba, imperfect to describe a repeated past action **B1**

(d) Answer: B

(e) A - flores, flowers are a central decoration for altars on Día de los Muertos **B1**

(e) Answer: A

Question 3

(a) C - Mexico **B1**

(a) Answer: C Mexico

(b) B - Spain **B1**

(b) Answer: B Spain

(c) D - Spain **B1**

(c) Answer: D Spain

(d) A - Colombia **B1**

(d) Answer: A Colombia

(e) B - Mexico **B1**

(e) Answer: B Mexico

Question 4

(a) States False **B1**

(a) Explains that many processions do include music such as drums or bands **B1**

(a) May state that some processions are solemn but many have music **B1**

(a) Communicates explanation in clear English **B1**

(a) Answer: False. Many processions include music like drums or brass bands; although some are solemn, music is common.

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