

1st Grade

Reading Comprehension

Day of the Dead Escape Room

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4 Reading Challenges

Challenge #1



1. Read the passages.
2. Answer the questions.
3. Collect your companion to take back to your own *ofrenda*.



1. The Day of the Dead *El Día de los Muertos*

Day of the Dead is a holiday in Mexico. It is called "Día de los

Muertos." It happens on November 2nd. It is a time to remember people who have died.

There are many decorations. People make colorful skulls. They use marigold flowers.

These decorations are bright. Day of the Dead is a happy time!

Families also make tasty food. They make sugar skulls. They also make special bread.

Some food is for parties. They also leave food at the graves of loved ones.

An altar is important on this day. In Spanish, it is called an "ofrenda." Families put

flowers, food, and other things on the altars. They also put pictures of loved ones.

The holiday is celebrated in many ways. It is a very important celebration!



1. What is the Day of the Dead called in Spanish?

- a. Día de los Amigos
- b. Día de los Muertos
- c. Día de las Flores
- d. Día de las Fiestas

2. When is el Día de los Muertos celebrated?

- a. November 2nd
- b. November 2nd - October 3rd
- c. October 31st - November 2nd
- d. October 31st

3. What is the main purpose of the Day of the Dead?

- a. to celebrate birthdays
- b. to remember people who have died
- c. to celebrate the new year
- d. to have a costume party

- Challenges focused on compare & contrast skills.
- Each challenge takes about 20-30 minutes
- 3 nonfiction passages, and 2 fiction passages
- Passages in 1st Grade Text Complexity band (420L)
- Passages and questions are scaffolded

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Challenge #3



1. Read the story and answer the questions.
2. Use your answers to follow the marigolds.
3. Collect some marigolds after the challenge to take back to your own *ofrenda*.



Marigolds!

Enter your answers in the Day of the Dead Decoder to see if you are ready to follow the marigolds!



Scan the QR code or click [here](#) to view the video.



DO NOT go to the next page until you've answered the question on your brochure!

Alejandro stood with his family. They had traveled to Mexico City this year to celebrate *Día de los Muertos*, or The Day of the Dead. Today was the big parade. Alejandro was so excited to watch it. He loved parades, and his cousin, Luis, had told him all about this one.

"You've never seen anything like it!" Luis had said over the phone.

Now, Alejandro held Alicia's hand. His little sister was jumping up and down beside him. His parents stood behind them. "Calm down, Alicia. I don't want to miss the start of the parade. We've been waiting so long for this!"

"That's like asking her not to breathe," Mom said as she smoothed her hand over Alicia's curly black hair.

It was true. Alicia was always in motion. She couldn't sit still for two seconds. Alejandro's arm felt like it might fall off because of all her wiggling as she held his hand. He supposed a parade like this was a reason to be full of energy. The scene was festive. There were people everywhere, laughing and talking. Music from somewhere down the street traveled on the breeze. Many of the parade watchers had their faces painted to look like skulls. The scents of delicious



- Themed videos integrated throughout the Escape Room to keep kids engaged.
- Students work in groups, partners, or independently.

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2. Skulls and Day of the Dead

Skulls are an important part of Day of the Dead. They are full of colors!

These are not real skulls. In Spanish, they are called "calaveras." They are made of sugar or clay. People paint them. They use colors like pink, blue, and yellow.

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Device	N/A	Any Device	Any Device
Required Prep	Print & Go	Copy & Share	Zero Prep
Student Answers	Answer Directly on the Printable	Interactive Google Slides Movable	Integrated Challenge Hub
Self Correcting	Includes Answer Key	Includes Answer Key	Self Correcting
Custom Videos	QR Codes	Embedded You Tube	Embedded
Audio Readings	N/A	No Audio Readings	Contains Audio Readings
Navigation	N/A	Student Directed	Automatically Advancing
Extras	Early Finish Challenges	Movable Pieces	Interactive Animation

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- Cut and paste stamps for each challenge
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Escape the Land of the Dead
Challenge Complete!

Jenny S.
(Name)

You made the journey home on The Day of the Dead! With the help of your guides, you'll never get lost on the way to your familia's ofrenda, and you can visit every year!

23 / 09
(Date)

~CALAVERA CATRINA

Scan the QR code or
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Ooops!

You scared away the *calaveras*!



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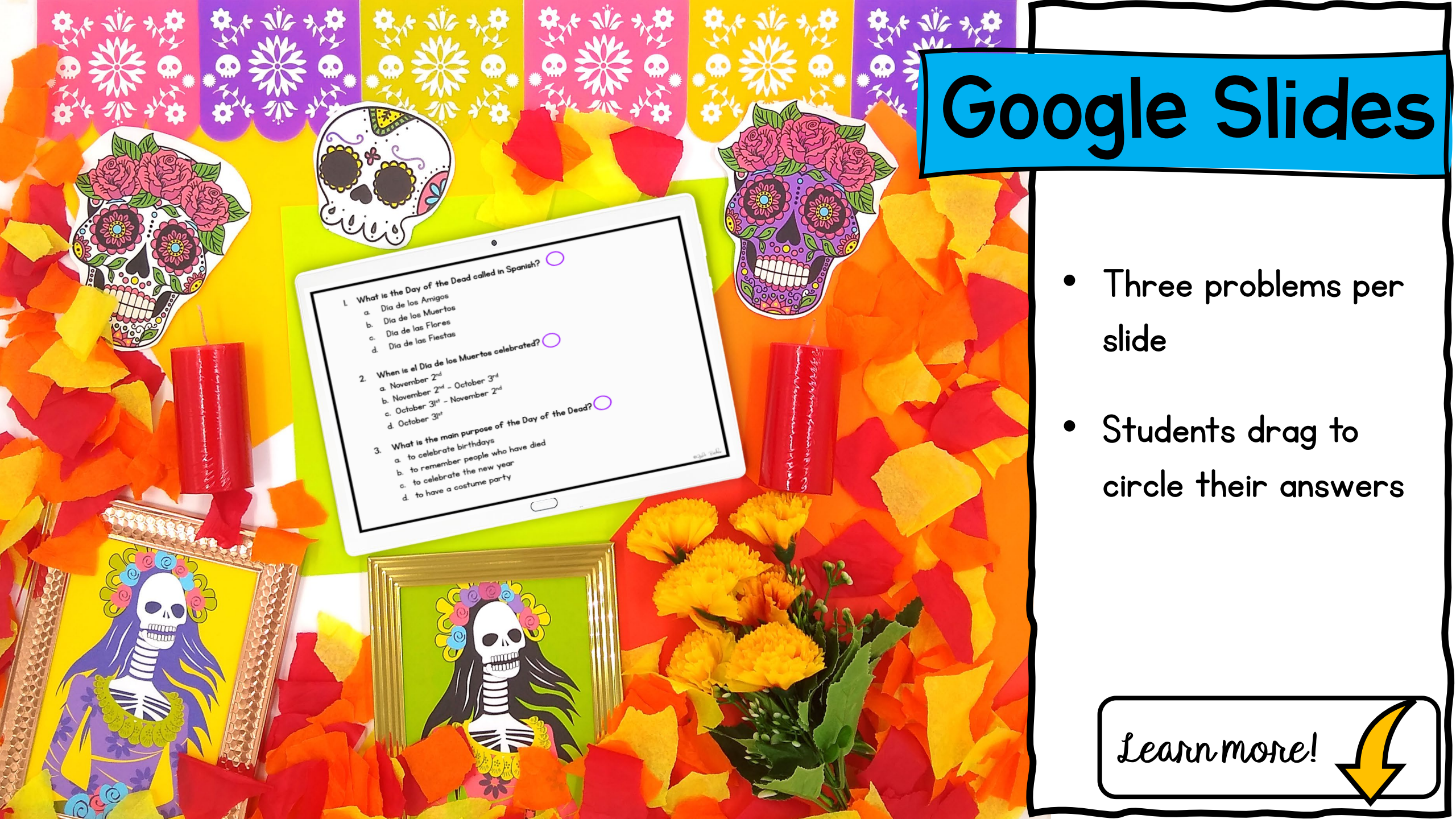
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- Three problems per slide
- Students drag to circle their answers

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- 6 videos narrations about the story.

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