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The Cinco de Mayo Piñata Mystery

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Detective Maria and her team worked together by each using their unique talents: Pablo found sweet clues, Lucia researched Pancho's history, and Chico had an incredible sense of smell. They followed the trail of evidence, discovered Senor Rodriguez's jealousy, and ultimately solved the mystery.
2. The town's reaction when Pancho was returned to the town square was one of joy and relief. This moment symbolized unity and the ability to overcome challenges together, turning a potentially negative situation into a memorable celebration.
3. The story teaches us that jealousy and rivalry can lead to poor decisions and even harm others. It's important to find positive ways to deal with such feelings and appreciate the achievements of others.
4. Answers may vary, but students may describe how they would have used their unique skills or talents to help Detective Maria solve the mystery. Some might want to be the one to confront Senor Rodriguez, while others may prefer to gather more evidence or interview witnesses.

