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## Cinco de Mayo Connection

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Maria and Leo's first encounter at the Cinco de Mayo parade involved Maria asking Leo about his Hawaiian shirt and straw hat with leis, sparking a conversation that led to their friendship and romance.
2. Maria and Leo's shared love for music and dancing brought them closer together as they joined in the salsa dancing at the parade, twirling and laughing in the street, and discovering their mutual passion for rhythm and movement.
3. Maria and Leo's romance was unique because it demonstrated how love can bridge cultural differences and enrich their lives by blending Mexican and Hawaiian traditions and values.
4. Maria and Leo blended their cultures by celebrating both Mexican and Hawaiian holidays, trying foods from both cuisines, and learning about each other's family customs and stories. They embraced the diversity of their backgrounds and incorporated it into their shared life.

