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Passion and Elegance: The Art of Argentine Tango

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Argentine Tango in Buenos Aires during the late 19th century played a significant role in the city's cultural identity. It provided an outlet for expression, a sense of community, and a reflection of the city's diverse cultural influences, ultimately contributing to the development of a unique and passionate art form.
2. Answers will vary but may include descriptions of an intimate and passionate atmosphere, dancers expressing a range of emotions from desire to longing, and the music evoking strong feelings in the audience.
3. Comparisons will vary based on the chosen dance style. Students may discuss the unique characteristics of Argentine Tango, such as the close embrace and improvisation, in comparison to the selected style. Differences in cultural influences and historical development can also be explored.
4. Argentine Tango's enduring appeal lies in its ability to convey deep emotions, its strong connection between partners, and the beauty of its intricate footwork. Its sensuality and passion continue to captivate audiences and make it a timeless and alluring dance style.

