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Mexico: Where Culture and Heritage Flourish

Short Answer Key

1. Mexico's identity has been shaped by influences from indigenous civilizations like the Aztecs and Mayans, as well as Spanish colonialism. These influences are evident in language, art, cuisine, and traditions.
2. Dia de los Muertos is a Mexican celebration honoring deceased loved ones. Families create ofrendas (altars) with offerings, visit cemeteries, and enjoy sugar skulls and pan de muerto (bread of the dead) to remember and celebrate the lives of those who have passed away.
3. Popular Mexican dishes include tacos, enchiladas, tamales, guacamole, and mole. Each dish offers a unique combination of flavors and ingredients.
4. Famous Mexican artists like Diego Rivera and Frida Kahlo have made significant contributions to Mexican art. Rivera is known for his murals depicting Mexican history, while Kahlo's self-portraits explore her personal experiences and emotions.
5. Answers may vary, but students may share experiences of Mexicans going out of their way to help or provide a warm welcome to visitors.

