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INDEPENDENCE DAY

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Mexican Independence

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September 16th

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Viva Mexico!

In Mexico, there is a special celebration called "Viva Mexico!" It happens on September 16th. People wear colorful clothes, dance, and sing. They also eat yummy food like tacos and tamales. The colors of the Mexican flag, red, white, and green, are everywhere. People wave flags and shout, "Viva Mexico!" to show their love for their country. It's a happy day for everyone in Mexico!

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Mexican Independence Day (September 16th)

On September 16th, Mexico celebrates its Independence Day. This special day marks the beginning of Mexico's freedom from Spanish rule. Many years ago, on September 16th, 1810, a brave priest named Miguel Hidalgo rang the church bell in the town of Dolores. He called upon the people to rise up and fight for their freedom. This event started a long battle for independence. Now, every year on September 16th, Mexicans honor this important day with parades, music, delicious food, and colorful decorations. It's a time for families and friends to come together and celebrate their country's history and pride.

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Mexican Independence Day

Who rang the church bell on September 16th, 1810?

2. What is the significance of September 16th for Mexico?

3. How is Independence Day celebrated in Mexico?

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1. When do Mexicans celebrate Independence Day?

2. What are some of the special foods eaten during Mexico's Independence Day celebrations?

3. Who did Mexico fight for its independence from in 1810?

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1. Who rang the church bell on September 16th, 1810, to call for Mexico's fight for freedom?

2. How do Mexicans celebrate Independence Day every year on September 16th?

3. What significant event is commemorated by Mexico's Independence Day?

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