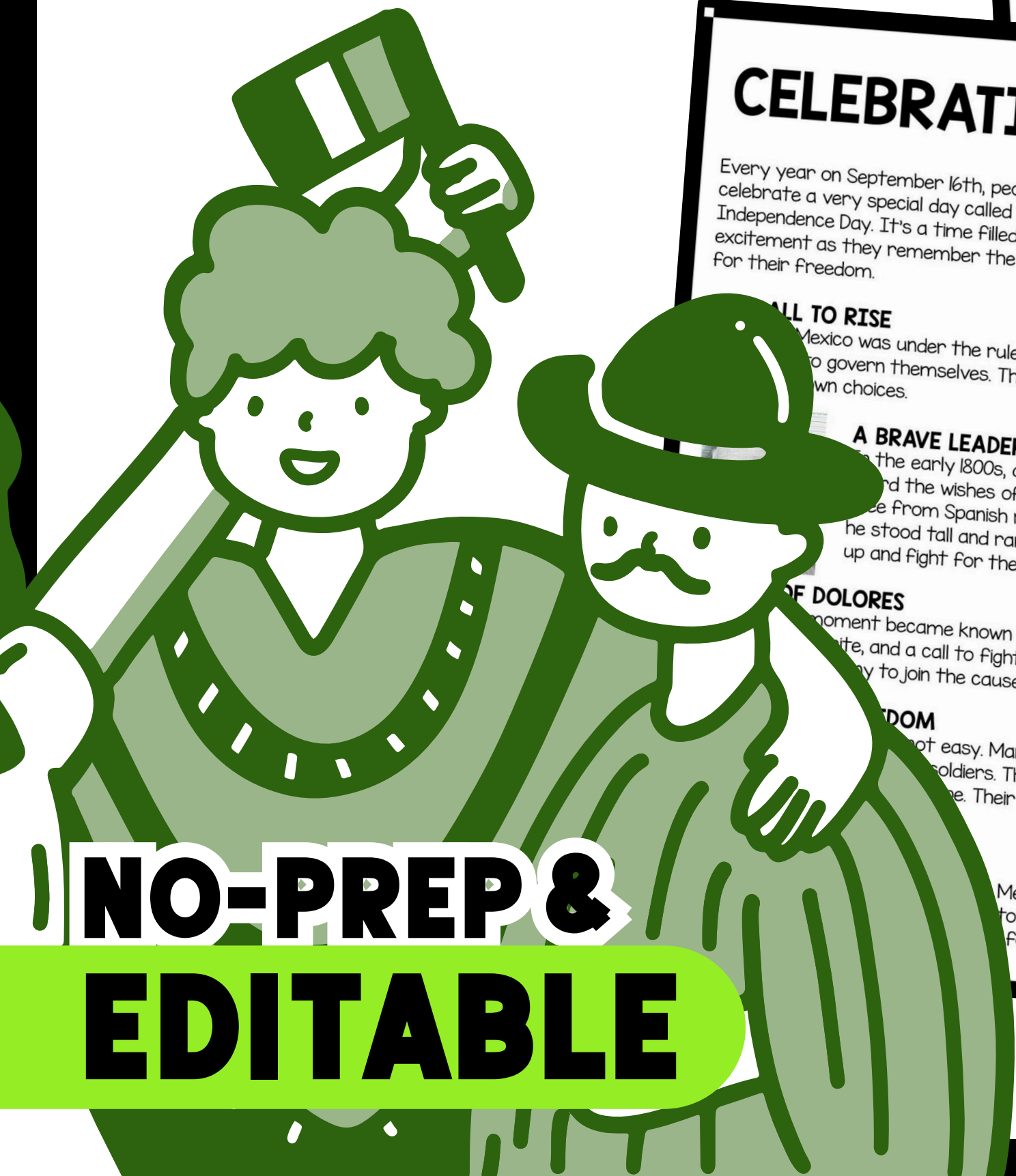


Mexican Independence Day


CELEBRATING FREEDOM

READING COMPREHENSION




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CELEBRATING MEXICAN IDENTITY
Today, Mexican Independence Day is a time to celebrate Mexican culture, heritage, and identity. Millions of the Mexican people enjoy these festivities.



CELEBRATING FREEDOM
Every year on September 16th, people in Mexico celebrate a very special day called Mexican Independence Day. It's a time filled with joy, pride, and excitement as they remember the heroes who fought for their freedom.



CALL TO RISE
Mexico was under the rule of Spain. But the people of Mexico wanted to govern themselves. They longed for independence and a chance to make their own choices.

A BRAVE LEADER EMERGES
In the early 1800s, a courageous man named Miguel Hidalgo led the wishes of his people. He wanted to help them break free from Spanish rule. So, on the night of September 15, 1810, he stood tall and rang the church bells, calling everyone to rise up and fight for their freedom.

THE CRY OF DOLORES
This moment became known as the Cry of Dolores. It was a call to unite, and a call to fight for what was right. Miguel Hidalgo's speech encouraged people to join the cause of independence.

THE ROAD TO FREEDOM
The fight for freedom was not easy. Many brave men and women fought against Spanish soldiers. They faced many challenges, but their determination led to Mexico finally achieving its freedom through a series of courageous victories. For Mexico, this day is a celebration of freedom.

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ANSWER KEY**

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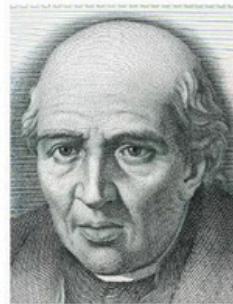
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THE CALL TO RISE

Long ago, Mexico was under the rule of Spain. But the people of Mexico wanted to be free to govern themselves. They longed for independence and a chance to make their own choices.



A BRAVE LEADER EMERGES

In the early 1800s, a courageous man named Miguel Hidalgo heard the wishes of his people. He wanted to help them break free from Spanish rule. So, on the night of September 15, 1810, he stood tall and rang the church bells, calling everyone to rise up and fight for their freedom.

THE CRY OF DOLORES

This powerful moment became known as the Cry of Dolores. It was a call to action, a call to unite, and a call to fight for what was right. Miguel Hidalgo's bravery inspired many to join the cause of independence.

THE FIGHT FOR FREEDOM

The road to freedom was not easy. Many brave men and women fought tirelessly against the Spanish soldiers. They faced hardships and challenges along the way, but they never lost hope. Their determination fueled their fight for freedom.

THE TRIUMPH OF INDEPENDENCE

After years of struggle and sacrifice, Mexico finally achieved its independence on September 27, 1821. It was a momentous victory, marking the end of Spanish rule and the beginning of a new chapter for Mexico.

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CELEBRATING MEXICAN IDENTITY

Today, Mexican Independence Day is a time to celebrate Mexican culture, heritage, and identity. Streets are adorned with the colors of the Mexican flag - green, white, and red. Families gather to enjoy delicious food, lively music, and colorful festivities.



HONORING THE HEROES

During the celebrations, people honor the brave heroes who fought for their freedom. The spirit of Miguel Hidalgo and others like him lives on in the hearts of the Mexican people. Their courage and sacrifice are remembered and celebrated with gratitude.

LOOKING TO THE FUTURE

As Mexico celebrates its independence, it also looks to the future with hope and determination. The spirit of freedom and resilience continues to inspire generations of Mexicans to strive for a better tomorrow.

CONCLUSION

Mexican Independence Day is a time of reflection, celebration, and unity. It's a reminder of the power of courage, perseverance, and the desire for freedom. As Mexicans across the world come together to celebrate, they honor their past, embrace their present, and look forward to a bright and promising future. Viva México!

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CELEBRATING FREEDOM

DIRECTIONS CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

- 1. What is celebrated on September 16th in Mexico?**
 - a) Christmas
 - b) Mexican Independence Day
 - c) Halloween
 - d) New Year's Eve
- 2. Who rang the church bells to call for independence?**
 - a) Miguel Hidalgo
 - b) Spanish soldiers
 - c) Christopher Columbus
 - d) Mexican government officials
- 3. What event is known as the Cry of Dolores?**
 - a) A famous battle
 - b) A celebration
 - c) A call for independence
 - d) A religious ceremony
- 4. When did Mexico finally achieve its independence?**
 - a) September 15, 1810
 - b) September 16, 1821
 - c) September 27, 1810
 - d) September 27, 1821
- 5. How is Mexican Independence Day celebrated?**
 - a) With parades, music, and dancing
 - b) With fireworks only
 - c) With a silent march
 - d) With a formal ceremony

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. When is Mexican Independence Day celebrated?
2. Who rang the church bells to call for independence?
3. What is the Cry of Dolores also known as?
4. How do people celebrate Mexican Independence Day?
5. What colors are associated with the Mexican flag?

6. What colors are associated with the Mexican flag?

- a) Red, blue, and white
- b) Green, white, and red
- c) Yellow, black, and green
- d) Blue, white, and yellow

7. During the celebrations, what do people do?

- a) The Spanish rulers
- b) The heroes who fought for freedom
- c) The French conquerors
- d) The British explorers

8. Who was a prominent leader in the independence movement?

- a) Christopher Columbus
- b) Hernán Cortés
- c) Miguel Hidalgo
- d) King Ferdinand VII of Spain

9. What does "Viva México!" mean?

- a) Long live Mexico!
- b) Happy Independence Day!
- c) Goodbye Mexico!
- d) Congratulations Mexico!

10. What is the main theme of Mexican Independence Day celebrations?

- a) Remembering ancient civilizations
- b) Honoring heroes who fought for freedom
- c) Reflecting on modern politics
- d) Celebrating foreign conquests

ANSWER KEY

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1. b) Mexican Independence Day
2. a) Miguel Hidalgo
3. c) A call for independence
4. b) September 16, 1821
5. a) With parades, music, and dancing
6. b) Green, white, and red
7. b) The heroes who fought for freedom
8. c) Miguel Hidalgo
9. a) Long live Mexico!
10. b) Honoring heroes who fought for freedom

SHORT-ANSWER QUESTION

1. Mexican Independence Day is celebrated on September 16th.
2. Miguel Hidalgo rang the church bells to call for independence.
3. The Cry of Dolores is also known as the Grito de Dolores.
4. People celebrate Mexican Independence Day with parades, music, dancing, and delicious food.
5. The colors associated with the Mexican flag are green, white, and red.

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QUESTIONS

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