

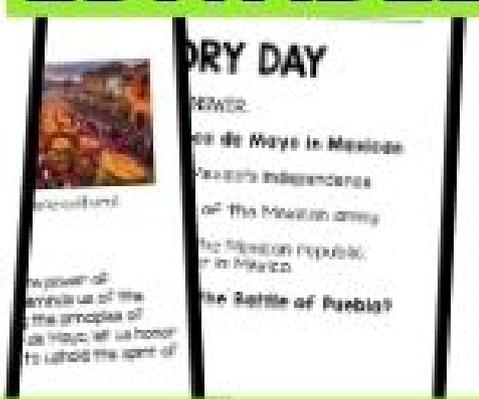
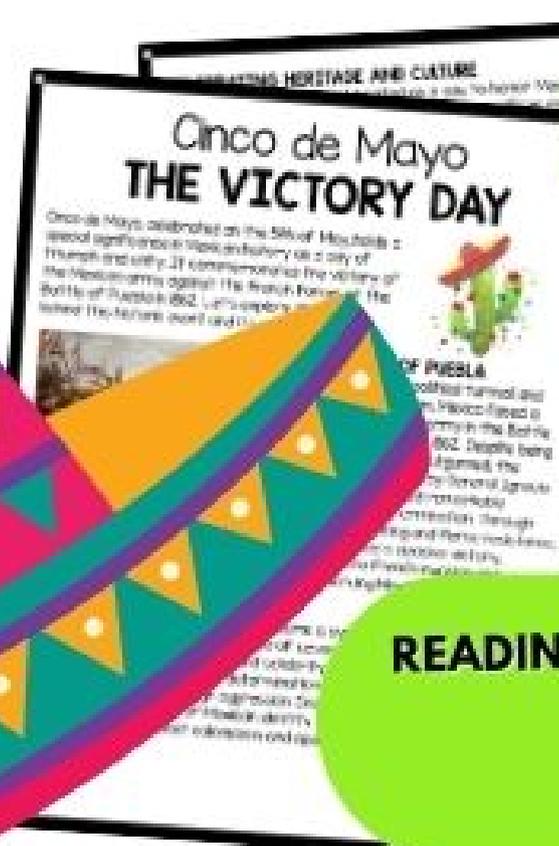
# Cinco de Mayo

## VICTORY DAY

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# Cinco de Mayo THE VICTORY DAY

Cinco de Mayo, celebrated on the 5th of May, holds a special significance in Mexican history as a day of triumph and unity. It commemorates the victory of the Mexican army against the French forces at the Battle of Puebla in 1862. Let's explore the story behind this historic event and its enduring legacy.



### THE BATTLE OF PUEBLA

In the midst of political turmoil and Foreign intervention, Mexico faced a formidable French army in the Battle of Puebla on May 5, 1862. Despite being outnumbered and outgunned, the Mexican forces, led by General Ignacio Zaragoza, displayed remarkable courage and determination. Through strategic planning and fierce resistance, they achieved a decisive victory, repelling the French invasion and safeguarding Mexican sovereignty.

### A SYMBOL OF RESISTANCE

The victory at the Battle of Puebla became a symbol of Mexican resilience and unity in the face of adversity. It inspired a sense of national pride and solidarity among the Mexican people, galvanizing their determination to defend their homeland against Foreign aggression. Cinco de Mayo emerged as a celebration of Mexican identity and the spirit of resistance against colonialism and oppression.



General  
Ignacio Zaragoza

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### CELEBRATING HERITAGE AND CULTURE

Today, Cinco de Mayo is celebrated as a day to honor Mexican heritage, culture, and identity. It serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by those who fought bravely to defend their country and preserve its independence. Through parades, music, dance, and festive gatherings, people come together to commemorate the historic victory and celebrate the vibrant traditions of Mexico.

### UNITY AND SOLIDARITY

Cinco de Mayo also holds significance beyond Mexico's borders, serving as a symbol of solidarity and support. For the Mexican community around the world, in countries like the United States, where Mexican immigrants have made significant contributions to society, Cinco de Mayo is embraced as an opportunity to celebrate diversity, promote cultural understanding, and strengthen community bonds.



### CONCLUSION

The victory of Cinco de Mayo stands as a testament to the power of resilience, courage, and unity in the face of adversity. It reminds us of the importance of standing up for what is right and defending the principles of freedom, justice, and independence. As we celebrate Cinco de Mayo, let us honor the legacy of those who fought for liberty and continue to uphold the spirit of solidarity and perseverance.

## READING COMPREHENSION

### COLORED & B/W VERSIONS INCLUDED

### SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. What is the historical significance of Cinco de Mayo?
2. Who led the Mexican forces in the Battle of Puebla?
3. How did the Mexican army achieve victory despite being outnumbered?
4. What does Cinco de Mayo symbolize for the Mexican people today?
5. Why is Cinco de Mayo celebrated in the United States?

6. What is one reason Cinco de Mayo is celebrated in the United States?

- A) To commemorate the signing of the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo
- B) To honor the Mexican revolution
- C) To mark the anniversary of a battle
- D) To protest against colonialism and imperialism

7. What aspect of Mexican culture is celebrated during Cinco de Mayo celebrations?

- A) Traditional clothing
- B) Indigenous languages
- C) Music, dance, and cuisine
- D) Politics and mythology

8. What message does the victory at Puebla convey?

- A) The importance of diplomacy and negotiation
- B) The power of resistance, strategy, and the possibility of defeat in the face of adversity
- C) The necessity of one nation to help another
- D) The superiority of one culture over another

9. How does Cinco de Mayo contribute to cultural understanding?

- A) By encouraging isolation and segregation
- B) By creating artificial barriers and conflicts
- C) By celebrating diversity and heritage
- D) By ignoring historical events and their impact

10. What is the enduring legacy of the Battle of Puebla?

- A) A reminder of the consequences of imperialism
- B) A symbol of the struggle for national identity and sovereignty
- C) A testament to the power of unity and resistance
- D) A warning of the dangers of political instability

## ANSWER KEY

### MCQ'S

1. B) It commemorates the victory of the Mexican army against the French forces.
2. A) General Ignacio Zaragoza.
3. C) The Mexican forces achieved a decisive victory.
4. B) Unity and resilience.
5. D) With fireworks displays and parades.
6. C) To mark the anniversary of a battle.
7. C) Music, dance, and cuisine.
8. B) The power of resistance, strategy, and the possibility of defeat in the face of adversity.
9. C) By celebrating diversity and heritage.
10. C) A testament to the power of unity and resistance.

### SHORT-ANSWER QUESTIONS

1. Cinco de Mayo commemorates the victory of the Mexican army against the French forces at the Battle of Puebla in 1862.
2. General Ignacio Zaragoza led the Mexican forces in the Battle of Puebla.
3. The Mexican army achieved victory through strategic planning and fierce resistance.
4. Cinco de Mayo symbolizes unity and resilience for the Mexican people today.
5. Cinco de Mayo is celebrated in the United States to honor the Mexican nationality and its contributions.

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## THE VICTORY DAY

DIRECTIONS: CHOOSE THE CORRECT ANSWER.

1. What is the significance of Cinco de Mayo in Mexican history?
  - A) It marks the anniversary of Mexico's independence from Spain.
  - B) It commemorates the victory of the Mexican army against the French forces.
  - C) It celebrates the founding of the Mexican republic.
  - D) It signifies the end of a civil war in Mexico.
2. Who led the Mexican forces in the Battle of Puebla?
  - A) General Ignacio Zaragoza
  - B) General Santa Anna
  - C) General Porfirio Diaz
  - D) General Benito Juarez
3. What was the outcome of the Battle of Puebla?
  - A) The French successfully invaded Mexico.
  - B) The Mexican forces surrendered.
  - C) The Mexican forces achieved a decisive victory.
  - D) The battle ended in a stalemate.
4. What does Cinco de Mayo symbolize for the Mexican people?
  - A) Defeat and humiliation
  - B) Unity and resilience
  - C) Foreign intervention and oppression
  - D) Political turmoil and instability
5. How is Cinco de Mayo celebrated today?
  - A) Through solemn ceremonies and memorials
  - B) With fireworks displays and extravagant parties
  - C) Through military parades and demonstrations
  - D) With religious rituals and processions

ANSWER KEY  
INCLUDED

10 - MCQ'S & 5  
QUESTIONS

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