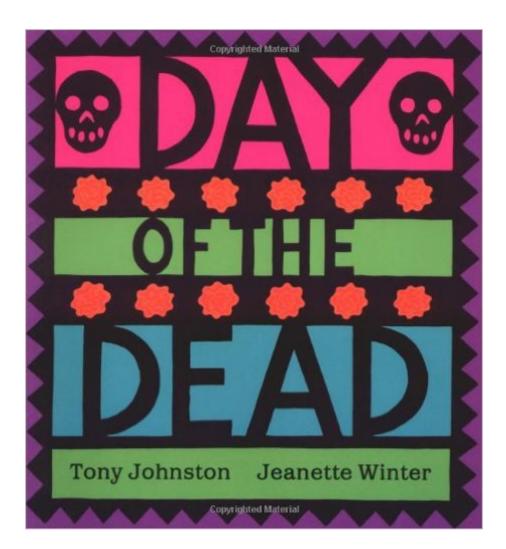


# **Day Of The Dead**





## Synopsis

Above a small town in Mexico, the sun rises like a great marigold, and one family begins preparations for an annual celebration, El dÃ- a de los muertos, the Day of the Dead. Soon they will go out into the night, join their neighbors, and walk to the graveyard to welcome the spirits of their loved ones home again. Framed by decorative borders and peppered with Spanish words, Day of the Dead is a glorious introduction to a fascinating celebration. A note at the end of the book provides factual information about the holiday.

### **Book Information**

Paperback: 48 pages Publisher: HMH Books for Young Readers; 1 edition (September 1, 2000) Language: English ISBN-10: 0152024468 ISBN-13: 978-0152024468 Product Dimensions: 6 x 0.2 x 6.5 inches Shipping Weight: 3.2 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (22 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #65,107 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #27 in Books > Children's Books > Holidays & Celebrations > Religious #65 in Books > Children's Books > Geography & Cultures > Multicultural Stories > Hispanic & Latino #4640 in Books > Children's Books > Literature & Fiction Age Range: 4 - 7 years Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

#### **Customer Reviews**

I have read this book to my 6 year-old daughter ab out a dozen times in the last 2 weeks. The colorful and rich illustrations are awe-inspiring and capture the spiritual side of this Mexican holiday. The story reflects the anticipation of the children as their parents prepare for this day of feasting and honoring passed souls. Another plus in this book is the use of the Spanish language. Scattered throughout the book in short phrases, the words can be interpreted by context for the non-speaker. I love this book and so does my daughter. We live near the border of Mexico and can attest to the fact that it is culturally accurate and reflects the Mexican culture in a beautiful way. I highly recommend this book!

I read this book with an 8 year old today and he enjoyed it very much. It is for a younger age, but he

was reading it himself and also was interested in learning about the holiday, as his family is Mexican American. The illustrations are very pretty and styled like Mexican art. I recommend encouraging children who read this to look at the illustrations and maybe look at pictures and to imagine the families of the village walking at night to the cemetery to celebrate this holiday as you read. I also brought a Sugar Skull coloring book and he liked doing this related art. BTW, Nov 1-2 is Day of The Dead!

This lively story tells the meaning of Dia de los Muertos--honoring loved ones--with beautiful illustrations, a good mixture of English and Spanish text, and accuracy. Great teaching tool.

This book feels as though it is illustrated using papel picado techniques, with its geometric colorful shapes that are symmetrical and have black-colored backgrounds. This book charmingly uses lots of Spanish language to teach vocabulary to readers. It uses lots of words that have to do with the customs of DÃ- a de los Muertos. The narrative of the story leads the reader from the preparations for the fiesta all the way through the procession and celebration. The book is attractively small and square, which will also attract younger readers without intimidating them, but offers more than enough information for these younger readers to get a comprehensive view of DÃ- a de los Muertos.

I have been trying to teach my 5 and 7 year-olds about Day of the Dead for a project on Mexico. I bought several materials, but for their age range, this was all I needed. It goes kind of long for my 5-year-old, but the details it portrays (marigolds as traditional flowers, "bread of the dead," and celebration at the graveyard, etc.) were exactly what I was looking for.

This book is beautifully written with wonderful pictures, but I didn't pay attention to the size before purchasing. The size of it makes it nearly impossible to use in a classroom setting if reading to a large group.

Bought them for both my son and daughter's family. Wonderful way to share the feeling of this family centered tradition! I Paid much more in Old Town San Diego for my first copy. Glad to find it on !

This is exactly what I was looking for to help me teach my children about los dia de muertos. This book is exciting for both my preschooler and my first grader and I would highly reccomend this book

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