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Day Two

Celebrate with the Dead

Part 1: Tricky phrases and words

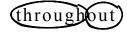


➤ Read these phrases and words out loud to your partner.			
	The altar draws lost loved ones together		
	marigold flowers attract spirits		
	candles light the spirits' way		
	sheets of colored paper are cut into patterns		
	to guide the spirit of their loved one		
	celebrate	SEL uh brayt	
	altar	ALL tuhr	
	marigold	MAIR uh gold	
	special	SPEH shul	
	items	EYE temz	

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Decoding practice:

Circle the two base words in the compounds below. The first one is done for you.



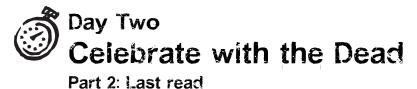
everyone

graveyard

sometimes

backdrop

lifetime



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Part 2: Last read WPM	
The Day of the Dead is a time to celebrate! It is a national Mexican holiday. Many people	
throughout the U.S. also celebrate this holiday. On the Day of the Dead, everyone remembers	
people that have died. But the Day of the Dead is not a sad time. It is a time to celebrate the	55
lives of loved ones.	59
An altar is important for the Day of the Dead. The altar draws lost loved ones together. An	77
altar may be in a home or a graveyard. Most altars include several items. First, there are	94
photos of lost loved ones. Second, marigold flowers attract spirits with their smell and color.	109
Then, candles light the spirits' way.	115
People also place water and food on the altar. Candy skulls represent both death and the	131
sweetness of life. These sugar skulls usually have decorations. Sometimes, people offer a	144
treat the spirit enjoyed in their lifetime. Finally, sheets of colored paper are cut into patterns.	160
They make up bright paper banners as a backdrop for the altar. They may wave to show a	178
spirit is there.	181
The dead are special guests during the Day of the Dead. Some people believe that spirits can	198
visit us during this holiday. People may make an altar to guide the spirit of their loved one.	216
They hope to talk to the dead while they are nearby.	227
Part 3: Comprehension and discussion	
Think of one person who has died that you would like to talk to. (This could be anyone — from a grandparent to Harriet Tubman.) Who would you like to talk to, and why?	
Who did your partner write down? Ask them why they picked that person.	90A

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