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Quiz topic: Mexico

1. Most people in Mexico speak _____.
 - a) Spain
 - b) Spanish
 - c) Spaniard
 - d) Spanner
2. Did you know that according to the ancient Maya people's _____, the world will end on June 5th 2012?
 - a) diary
 - b) calendar
 - c) notebook
 - d) personal organiser
3. To make the cocktail 'Margarita' you have to use lots of freshly _____ lime juice.
 - a) crushed
 - b) ground
 - c) squeezed
 - d) squashed
4. In November a special celebration takes place called 'The day of the _____. On these 2 days both children and adults, who have died, are remembered by the living.
 - a) died
 - b) dead
 - c) death
 - d) dying
5. Mexicans usually have 2 family names; the father's family name and the mother's _____ name – the name she had before she got married.
 - a) single
 - b) unmarried
 - c) maiden
 - d) spinster
6. Hot Mexican food often uses lots of chilly peppers. Which word below does NOT describe the taste of this type of Mexican food?
 - a) spicy
 - b) fiery
 - c) chilly
 - d) hot

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Answers:

1. Most people in Mexico speak _____.

a) Spain

b) Spanish

c) Spaniard

d) Spanner

a) Spain is the country – what's the language?

b) Both the adjective and language is Spanish.

c) Someone from Spain is called a Spaniard.

d) A spanner is a tool for tightening up bolts.

2. Did you know that according to the ancient Maya people's _____, the world will end on June 5th 2012?

a) diary

b) calendar

c) notebook

d) personal organiser

a) You might use a diary to write down appointments so that you don't forget them.

b) A calendar can be used to mark the months of the year, in this case it is used to talk about the years of the world.

c) You might use a notebook to write down ideas or things you want to remember.

d) You might use a personal organiser to remember what you have to do and when you have to do it.

3. To make the cocktail 'Margarita' you have to use lots of freshly _____ lime juice.

a) crushed

b) ground

c) squeezed

d) squashed

a) You can crush ice to put it into the cocktail.

b) You can grind corn to make flour or coffee beans.

c) You can squeeze lemons, limes or other fruits to make juice.

d) You can be squashed in an elevator if there are too many people in it.

4. In November a special celebration takes place called 'The day of the _____. On these 2 days both children and adults, who have died, are remembered by the living.

- a) died
- b) dead**
- c) death
- d) dying

a) This is the past of 'die'. What's the adjective – i.e. the opposite of 'alive'?

b) This is the adjective – i.e. the opposite of 'alive'.

c) This is the noun. What's the adjective – i.e. the opposite of 'alive'?

d) This is the present participle of die. What's the adjective – i.e. the opposite of 'alive'?

5. Mexicans usually have 2 family names; the father's family name and the mother's _____ name – the name she had before she got married.

- a) single
- b) unmarried
- c) maiden**
- d) spinster

a) What do we call the family name of a woman before she gets married?

b) What do we call the family name of a woman before she gets married?

c) The name of a woman before she gets married is her 'maiden name'.

d) A spinster is a woman who has never married – it is rather negative in connotation.

6. Hot Mexican food often uses lots of chilly peppers. Which word below does NOT describe the taste of this type of Mexican food?

- a) spicy
- b) fiery
- c) chilly**
- d) hot

a) 'Hot and spicy' go together.

b) You can also have a fiery temper!

c) A chilly is a vegetable, but as an adjective it describes a cold room or cold weather e.g. it's a bit chilly today.

d) Which word describes the opposite of hot?