

What is the Day of the Dead?

Name _____ Date _____

The Day of the Dead (*El Día de los Muertos*) is celebrated on November 1st and 2nd in the Mexican **culture** (a group of people with same beliefs). The days celebrate and remember **ancestors** (people who have died in our families) and close friends. It is not a sad occasion! The people instead decorate a memorial **altar** (a special table in the home or community) with offerings called **ofrendas** like decorated skulls, or other gifts of favorite foods and drinks, and **marigolds** (an orange flower). There are even parties in cemeteries and special sweets like sugar skulls and bread, **pan de muerto**, to buy in the streets!

1. What culture typically celebrates Day of the Dead?

2. Día de los Muertos is celebrated on...

3. Who is remembered?

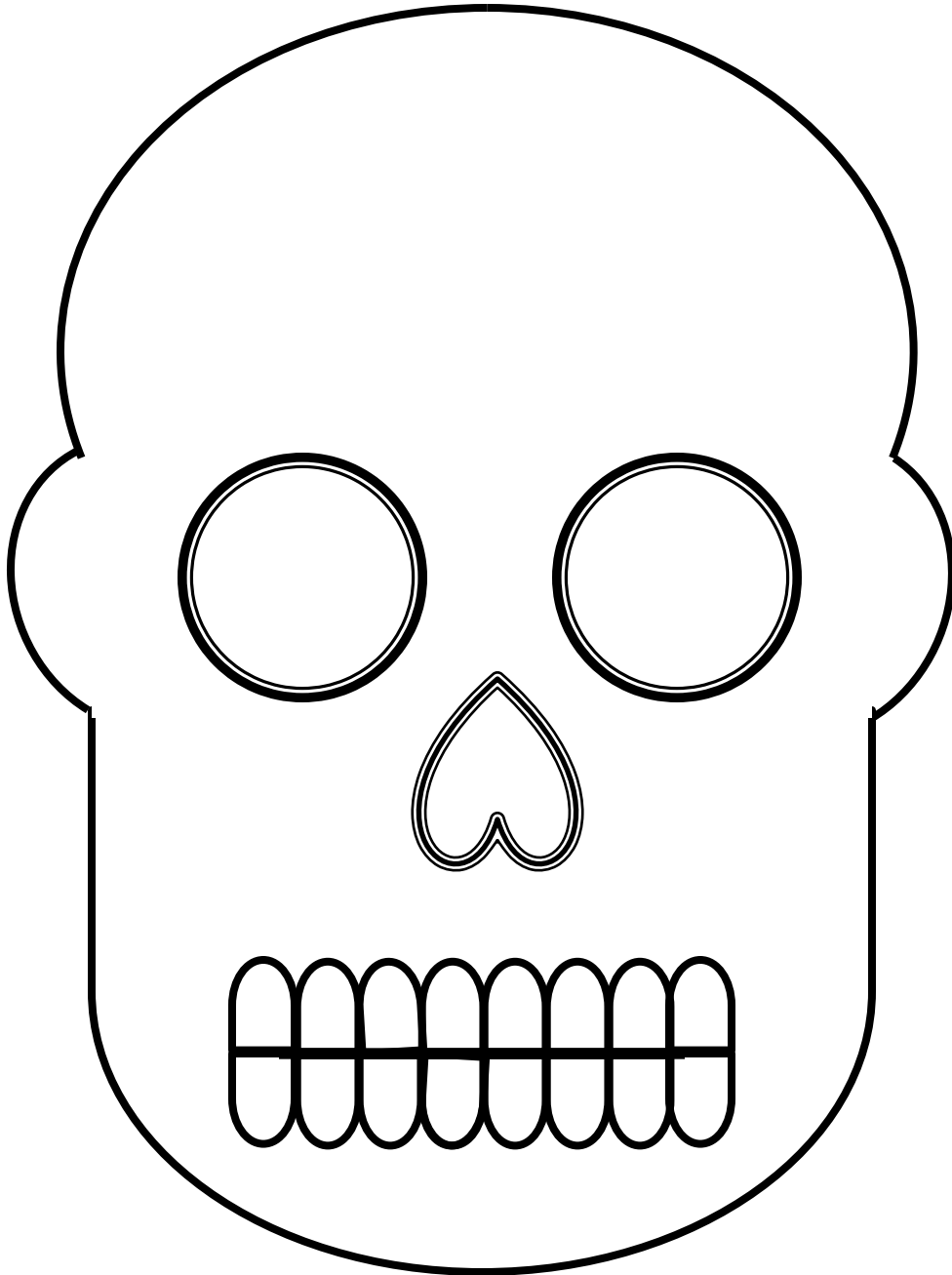
4. Where do families put **ofrendas** to remember those who have died?

5. Circle one. Day of the Dead is the same as Halloween.

Create a Memorial

Skull

Decorate the skull with designs, color it, and decorate it if you wish with beads, candy, or other items to remember a loved one.



This is a skull I found on Blog.SpoonGraphics tutorial to create this skull design on Adobe Illustrator. I wish I had Adobe Illustration to make something this incredible!

Visit the website at the following link:

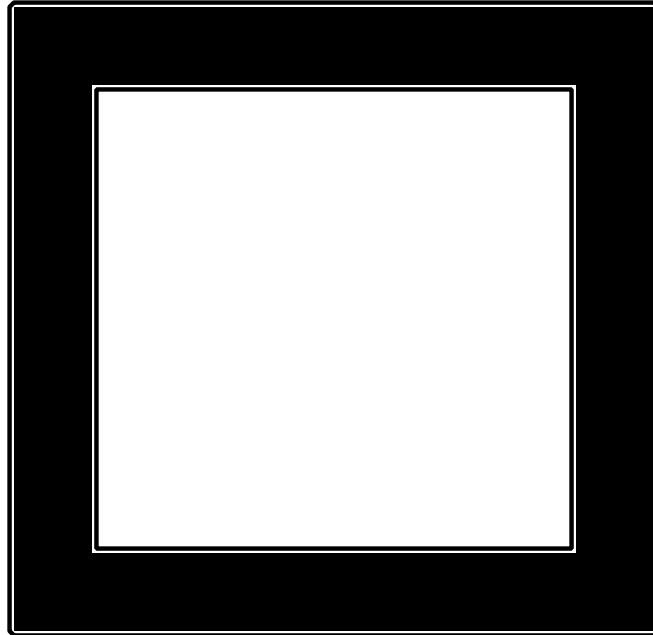
<http://blog.spoongraphics.co.uk/tutorials/how-to-create-a-detailed-vector-sugar-skull-illustration>



In Memory

Name _____

Who is a family member or friend that you have lost whom you would honor on the Day of the Dead?



To honor my _____ I would put these things on the altar .

_____ because _____

_____ because _____

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