

# Multilingual Marvels

## Middle School

### Spanish Culture Study

#### Guide

#### Even Years

*Do you know the answers to these questions about the Hispanic world?  
To study, cover up the column on the right with the answer or fold it on the  
line.*

*Then see if you can answer the questions correctly! ¡Buena Suerte!*

### **GEOGRAPHY**

#### **Pregunta**

#### **Respuesta**

<i>1. Where is the tropical forest of El Yunque?</i>	<i>Puerto Rico</i>
<i>2. In what country are the caves of Altamira located?</i>	<i>Spain</i>
<i>3. In which country would you find the Atacama Desert?</i>	<i>Chile</i>
<i>4. What is the national emblem of Guatemala?</i>	<i>The Quetzal bird</i>
<i>5. Where is Irazú volcano?</i>	<i>Costa Rica</i>
<i>6. What is unique about the Gardens of Xochimilco?</i>	<i>They float</i>
<i>7. Name the mountain range that divides France and Spain.</i>	<i>The Pyrenees</i>
<i>8. Lake Titicaca is located between which two countries?</i>	<i>Bolivia and Perú</i>
<i>9. What is the most important archaeological site in Honduras?</i>	<i>Copán</i>

10. Which lake holds the only fresh water shark in the world?	Nicaragua
11. What South American country is famous for gauchos?	Argentina
12. What is the largest city in the Western Hemisphere?	Mexico City

## Food and Drink

### Pregunta

### Respuesta

13. If you order <i>pulpo</i> in a Hispanic restaurant, what would you receive?	Octopus
14. What is the main ingredient of the drink <i>atole</i> ?	Corn
15. From what country does <i>saffron</i> come from?	Spain
16. What is used as a topping for <i>flan</i> ?	Caramel sauce
17. What part of the egg is the <i>yema</i> ?	The yolk
18. What is a <i>pepita</i> ?	A pumpkin seed
19. Where is <i>jamón serrano</i> from?	Spain

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20. What is sold at a <i>pastelería</i> ?	Cakes and sweets
21. What are <i>nopales</i> ?	Edible cactus
22. When would a person eat a <i>merienda</i> ?	In the afternoon
23. What are <i>chicharrones</i> ?	Fried pork skins
24. If you order a <i>churrasco</i> in Argentina, what would be served?	Steak
25. What is the meat used for "tacos al Pastor" in México?	Pork roast

## HISTORY

### Pregunta

### Respuesta

<i>26. What ancient tribe of Mexico carved large stone heads?</i>	<i>The Olmecs</i>
<i>27. What country destroyed the Spanish Armada?</i>	<i>England</i>
<i>28. When was Mexico founded?</i>	<i>In 1525</i>
<i>29. Who was considered the father of Cuban Independence?</i>	<i>José Martí</i>
<i>30. What is the capital city of the Incas in Perú?</i>	<i>Cuzco</i>
<i>31. Which main avenue in Mexico was built by Maximilian?</i>	<i>Paseo de la Reforma</i>
<i>32. What famous explorer founded San Juan, Puerto Rico?</i>	<i>Juan Ponce de León</i>
<i>33. When did Spain join the European Union?</i>	<i>1992</i>
<i>34. Who was the general who was dictator in Spain after the Spanish Civil War?</i>	<i>Francisco Franco</i>
<i>35. Who was the president of Mexico during the revolution of 1910?</i>	<i>Porfirio Díaz</i>

## Overall Culture

<i>36. Which African country has Spanish as an official language?</i>	<i>Equatorial Guinea</i>
<i>37. What do you call a soap opera in Spanish?</i>	<i>A telenovela</i>
<i>38. What does tapping your elbow with your hand mean in Hispanic cultures?</i>	<i>Stingy</i>
<i>39. What is the currency of Panamá?</i>	<i>El Balboa</i>
<i>40. What is the highest mountain peak in Mexico?</i>	<i>The Pico de Orizaba</i>
<i>41. What is a charro?</i>	<i>A Mexican cowboy</i>

42. <i>El bachillerato clásico is a system of education comparable to what in the United States?</i>	<i>High School</i>
43. <i>Which animals from Perú are related to the camel?</i>	<i>Llamas, alpacas</i>
44. <i>What miniature dog originated in México?</i>	<i>The chihuahua</i>
45. <i>What is the Spanish word for a spoken compliment to a woman?</i>	<i>A piropo</i>
46. <i>Where is the musical rhythm called la cumbia from?</i>	<i>Colombia</i>
47. <i>What do you add to the end of a Spanish noun to show friendliness and affection?</i>	<i>-ito or -ita</i>
48. <i>What is RENFE in Spain?</i>	<i>The Railroad system</i>
49. <i>What is sung on a person's birthday in México?</i>	<i>Las Mañanitas</i>
50. <i>What is the name given to residents of Buenos Aires, Argentina?</i>	<i>Porteños</i>