

DAY OF THE DEAD MASKS

Materials:

- Card stock
- Sharpies
- Popsicle sticks
- Glue or hot glue gun

Discuss the Mexican holiday of Day of the Dead or Dios De Los Muertos. Explain how the holiday is a joyous celebration of loved ones who have passed away in a joyous manner. Then create Day of the Dead masks by first cutting out the skull (give all students a piece of card stock with half a skull photocopied onto it). Review cutting skills and how to cut the eyes out by bending the paper and cutting a small slit to put a scissor blade through. Discuss symmetry. Use Sharpies to decorate the masks – jewels can be added as well keeping symmetry in mind. The finishing touch is gluing the skulls on popsicle stick so that they could be used as a mask.

