

Web Activity- Carmen Lomas Garza

Instructions: Look up the following websites. Read the articles and answer the questions according to what you find.

A. Find this website. <http://www.carmenlomasgarza.com/>

1. Who is Carmen Lomas Garza?
2. What was her inspiration?
3. How are her contributions important for Americans?
4. She refers to herself as a "Chicana". What is the meaning of this word? Can you figure it out from the article?
5. Click on the link of the guided tour. Look at her paintings and tell the name of at least 3 pictures and what they show.
6. Which painting is your favorite and why?
7. In the painting called the "Tamalada", what is happening?
8. What type of painting is it? <http://www.biddingtons.com/content/pedigreegouache.html>

B. Find this website. <http://www.elmonterey.com/mexicanculture/tamales.aspx>

1. What is the first step in the making of tamales?
2. What is the "masa"?
3. What is the word for "corn husks"? How are corn husks used in the making of tamales?
4. Tamales was a common dish of which Mexican tribe?

C. Find this website. <http://www.esperanto.com/Legacy/CLGarza.html>

1. Where and when was she born?
2. What region of the state is she from?
3. Why did her grandparents leave their home country?
4. Where did she go to school? What special circumstances made going to school difficult for her?
5. What type of artwork did her mother do? What is the "lotería"?
6. Where does she live today?

D. Many of her paintings include "Nopales". Look up this website about "Nopales".

<http://www.desertusa.com/magdec97/eating/nopales.html>

1. What is the "nopal"? Where can it be found in abundance?
2. Name four important steps in preparing the nopales to be cooked.
3. What vegetables from our culture are compared to the "nopal"? What does it taste like? What does it look like when it is cooked?