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Fiesta!: The Festivals Of Mexico (Mexico: Leading The Southern Hemisphere)



Synopsis

According to Mexico's official Secretariat of Tourism, each year more than 5,000 officially recognized fiestas, or holiday celebrations, are observed in the country. These fiestas include religious feasts like Easter in the spring, and the Feast of the Virgin of Guadalupe in December. They also include national and local holidays like Independence Day and Cinco de Mayo. Some Mexican festivals pay homage to the special foods and crops of the nation; other special events are held for birthdays, baptisms, weddings, and graduations. This book provides information about many of the most popular and important festivals celebrated in Mexico today.

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Gr 5-8-Quality in this attractive set is uneven. People, History, Cuisine and Sports are the best of the group, with clear prose and enough details to help readers understand their subjects. Others attempt to cover too many topics, resulting in dry, superficial paragraphs that are often little more than lists of places and events. Only the titles on the Mexican states have (inadequately detailed) maps, a serious flaw when all books discuss numerous locations and geographical features. These volumes have numerous colorful photos, but some look like stock images, and their subjects don't always correspond with accompanying text. Sidebars, glossaries, and reading comprehension

questions and research suggestions supplement the texts. These books are better suited to support extensive units on Mexico rather than run-of-the-mill country reports, and even for those programs, superficial coverage and map and illustration weaknesses make them additional selections. (c) Copyright 2014. Library Journals LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Media Source, Inc. No redistribution permitted.

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