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La Quinceañera Webquest:

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La transición de las adolescentes en mujeres se celebra de diferentes maneras y a diferentes edades en el mundo. En
The transition of adolescence to “woman” is celebrated in different ways and at different ages all over the world. In

México, tiene un arraigo muy particular y se celebra cuando las chicas cumplen los Quince Años.

Mexico, there is an arranged and very particular celebration when the girl turns 15 years old.

15 es que las niñas esten listas para casarse como algunos ajenos a la tradición creen. Mas bién, que las chicas pueden
The age of 15 is the age that girls can be ready for marraig according to the traditional belfs. More importantly, the girls

presentarse como adultas en enventos sociales apropiados.

Are of the age to present themselves as socialy apporpriate adults in their community.

Learn more about Quinceanera and the traditions of a Quinceanera: Click on the following links, and completely answer the questions).

<http://www.quinceanera-boutique.com/quinceaneratradiation.htm>

- 1) What is a Quinceanera?
- 2) When is the quinceañera celebrated?
- 3) The following customs/traditions as part of any Quinceanera: briefly write what is “tradition” or how they are traditionally a part of of the celebration:

Food: What food is traditional at a Quinceanera?

God/religion: Why is this a tradition?

Family: What part does family have in the Quince?

Friends: How are Friends traditionally part of the Quince?

Music: What music is traditional?

Dance: What dance is traditional?

4. Another tradition is the changing of the shoes: what is this? And what does it symbolize?

5. a toast, is made to the Quince girl at the reception, and she is allowed to drink _____ from a special decorated glass. (as she is not a girl anymore, but a woman).

6. Why does the Quince carry around the LAST DOLL?

7. What does the quinceañera tradition typically begin with?

8. What are the honor courts young girls called? What are the young men called?

9. What is the toast at the reception called?

10. What are 5 typical gifts that are given to the quinceañera?

<http://www.mexconnect.com/articles/3192-la-quincea%C3%B1era-%E2%80%93-an-hispanic-celebration-of-budding-womanhood>

11. Who are the padrinos?

12. What are bolos?

<http://www.marryu.com/spanish/quinceaneras.htm>

13. What traditions or ceremonies in the united states that we celebrate are like that of the quinceñera?

14. A quinceanera celebration is often compared to a _____, in which the woman wears a special dress, there is an escort, attendants, church ceremony, reception, cake, and a dance.

15. A Quince is for girls. How are young men involved in the Quinceaneras?

16. How many attendants make up the quince's court? Why this number?

17. Traditionally, who does the quince dance the first dance with?

Quinceanera traditions: <http://www.bellaonline.com/articles/art40431.asp> this link may be helpful

18. Discuss the preparation involved in a quinceanera:

19. What is something new you learned / found out about a quineanera that you didn't know before:

20. A Hispanic girl wants a quince / party because she gets to be the center of attention at a grand party all about her: but a quince girl has to prove that she is responsible and mature: how does she do this?

CONNECTIONS:

1. Explain what a "Rite of Passage" is. What are similar Rites of Passage in our culture that you have witnessed or experienced?

2. Explain a tradition that you have in your family. How does your family celebrate important events?