**Vocabulary of El Día de los Muertos**

**Las velas:** Candles

**El cempasúchil:** Yellow Marigold. It is also known as the flower of the dead

**El papel picado:** Paper cut outs, used in different Mexican celebrations. Skeletons and Catrinas are most common during the Day of the Dead celebration.

**La calavera:** Skull - Las calaveras as de azúcar or sugar skulls are offerings for the children.

**La Catrina:** Painted by Mexican Artist José Guadalupe. It became the main icon of this celebration.

**La foto:** It’s the image if the deceased person being honored in the altar. Usually the picture of family and friends. Sometimes famous Mexicans too!

**La calaca:** Esqueleton (Skeleton)

**La ofrenda:** Items related to the deceased person. It might include favorite foods, toys - for the children-, drinks and so on.

**La calavera de azúcar:** Sugar skull.

**El pan de muerto:** Literal translation is “bread of the dead”. Sweet loaf made in many different shapes, especially for this celebration.

**El Altar:** It’s the most important element in the Day of the Dead celebration. It’s where the picture, calacas, Catrinas, and so on are placed to remember their ancestors.