EXTRA CREDIT FOR CULTURAL ACTIVITY
--REPORT GUIDELINES--
Spanish 7

One of the options for extra credit in this course is to attend a Hispanic cultural event and write a report about the event. The purpose of this activity is to immerse you somewhat in the Hispanic culture and to give you the opportunity to hear and/or perhaps read at least some Spanish in a real-life setting. By the term Hispanic, I mean that the activity is related to the culture of any country where Spanish is spoken. This naturally includes Mexico, Spain and the Spanish-speaking countries of Latin America. The report should be a minimum of one page, typed and double-spaced. The following is a list of the many different types of events that you can attend:

- any Hispanic cultural event or holiday celebration such as Cinco de mayo, 16 de septiembre, una quinceañera, Día de los muertos procession, las Posadas (near Christmas), Festival de la Familia, etc.
- a new movie or play that is in Spanish or related to Hispanic culture (check with me in class)
- a concert in Spanish
- Baile Folklórico
- a Flamenco show, perhaps at Tapa the World

This is just a sample of the types of activity you can attend; there are also other activities, many which take place at CSUS.

When you write the report, you should state where you went, what type of activity it was, what you saw, heard, ate, read, experienced, etc. You should include the following:
- any observations you could make about Hispanic culture after attending this event,
- a list of any words or phrases you understood (whether it was spoken or read)
- a list of any new words or phrases that you learned by being there
- your personal feelings and reaction.
You may write the report in English. If you feel ready, you should write a simple, short introduction in Spanish.

Each cultural activity report is worth 20 points. You may do a total of three cultural reports per semester, but may not turn in more than one per month. See the due dates on the course calendar.

Basically the reports are due on the last day we have class in each calendar month. You can always feel free to turn the reports in early. Extra credit activities are worth 20 points each and count first in the category of participation (if you have more than 4 absences or other participation points missing); if you are not missing points in the participation category, the points will go into the homework category; if you are not missing more than 10% of homework points the points will count toward exams. If the points do count toward exams, each report is worth 5 extra credit points, since the exam category is more heavily weighted. As you can see, the extra credit is extremely valuable especially if you have 100% of your participation and homework points.

Please follow these guidelines carefully and feel free to ask me if you need any clarification.

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