## 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades Lesson Plan Hispanic Heritage Month





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<b>OBJECTIVES:</b> NCSSS, 1. CULTURE Through the study of culture and cultural diversity, learners understand how human beings create, learn, share, and adapt to culture, and appreciate the role of culture in shaping their lives and society, as well the lives and societies of others.		STRATEGIES:  □ Drawing/Coloring
		<ul> <li>□ Writing</li> <li>□ K-W-L</li> <li>□ Collaboration</li> </ul>
		<ul><li>Discussion Questions</li><li>Small Groups</li><li>Large Group</li></ul>
MATERIALS:	Students will need access to a Computer/laptop; internet (with access to YouTube); Smart Board; copies of the Hispanic Heritage Month K-W-L Worksheet; copies of the 5 Things to Know About Hispanic Heritage Reading for Information sheet; copies of Hispanic Country Project; copies of Spanish Speaking Countries and Their Capitals Activity; Central & South America Map Activity; copies of the Hispanic Countries Word Search	
Engage: Hook the students	Explain: This lesson is a part of celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month. In this lesson we will examine how we learn, share, and adapt to different cultures.  Define Culture the way that people live. Food, clothing, language, and celebrations are all a part of culture.  K-W-L: Handout the Hispanic Heritage Month K-W-L Worksheet. Allow students time to fill in the first and second section of the K-W-L worksheet.	
Explore: Students make sense of a concept through observations.	Play the KidsKonnect YouTube Video, Hispanic Heritage Month For Kids   History, Celebrations, Famous Figures. Hand out the 5 Things to Know About Hispanic Heritage Reading for Information sheet. Read aloud or have students read quietly. Hand out copies of the Hispanic Country Project. Read through the requirements of the project. Allow students 3-4 days to complete the project. Hand out copies of Spanish Speaking Countries and Their Capitals Activity. Allow students time to complete the activity. Hand out copies of the Central & South America Map Activity. Allow students time to complete the activity. Hand out copies of the Hispanic Countries Word Search Puzzle. Allow students time to complete the assignment. Allow students time to complete the K-W-L section 3.	
<b>Explain:</b> Teacher introduces formal vocabulary and language to students.	culture trade language custo demographics econo	diversity ethnicity
Elaborate: Students apply what they have learned.	adapt to culture, and a society, as well the live	nd how human beings create, learn, share, and ppreciate the role of culture in shaping their lives and es and societies of others.
Evaluate: assessment.	The teacher will select assessments.	the items to be used for formal/informal
Enrichment/Service- Learning Project	family, and friends. Par	share what they have learned with their class, rticipate in the Wreaths Across America Service bwnload www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/teach

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Hispanic Heritage Month K-W-L Name What I KNOW: What I WANT to KNOW: What I LEARNED Hispanic Heritage Month K-W-L Name What I KNOW: What I WANT to KNOW: 

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#### Five Things to Know About Hispanic Heritage Month

It's a national celebration to honor the history, culture and influence of past generations that came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

Hispanic Heritage Month has been a big celebration in the U.S. since 1968. Hispanics across the country celebrate this month with pride and joy, while commemorating the importance of diversity. Here are five things you should know, related to Hispanic Heritage Month:

- 1. What is Hispanic Heritage Month? It's a national celebration to honor the history, culture and influence of past generations who came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.
- 2. When did the United States starts celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month? The observance started in 1968 under President Lyndon Johnson's administration as a one-week celebration called Hispanic Heritage Week. Years later, President Ronald Reagan proposed extending this celebration into a monthlong event. It was enacted into law on Aug. 17, 1988, officially designating the 30-day period starting on Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 as National Hispanic Heritage Month.
- 3. Why do we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month during that time period? Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15. The celebration starts mid-month because Sept. 15 marks the independence anniversary of five countries: Costa Rica, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras, and Guatemala. It is followed by Mexico's Independence Day on Sept. 16 and Chile's on Sept. 18. Another important date that falls within this 30-day period is Día de la Raza, or Columbus Day, which is celebrated on Oct. 12.
- 4. What does Hispanic mean? While many people use Latino(a) and Hispanic interchangeably these two words mean different things. A Hispanic person is someone who comes from or is a descendant of a Spanish-speaking country. Latino(a) is used when referring to someone who comes from Latin America or is a descendant from any Latin American country. A person can be both Hispanic and Latino(a), but not all Latinos are Hispanic. Brazilians, for example, are Latinos, but their native language is not Spanish. Conversely, not all Hispanics are Latino(a). Spaniards are considered Hispanic, but not Latinos since they are part of the European Union.
  - Hispanic countries are Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, Spain, Uruguay, and Venezuela.
  - Latin American countries are Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, French Guiana, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Martinique, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, Saint Barthélemy, Saint Martin, Uruguay, and Venezuela.
- 5. How many Hispanics are there in the U.S.? According to the United States Census Bureau, in 2022 roughly 63.7 million Hispanics lived in the U.S. They made up 19% of the nation's population. How to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month? People use this celebration to show the importance of Hispanics in the U.S. by donating to Hispanic charities, eating food from any of the countries that are being celebrated, learning from their cultures and honoring influential Hispanics who have made an impact on society.



















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#### **Hispanic Country Project**

#### **Assignment:**

1. Students will research one of the following Spanish-speaking countries (assigned by the teacher) using a computer and the internet:

Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Equatorial Guinea, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, Spain, Uruguay, Venezuela

My Assigned Country:	
2. Assigned format for your project	

- 3. Required elements of your project should include:
  - A. COVER PAGE: Include your name, country name, a picture relevant to your country.
  - B. GENERAL INFORMATION: Create a title for each section, for example, Culture. Include a map, the capital, population, currency, economy(exports, agricultural production), flag, and climate. Include pictures.
  - C. CULTURE: Brief, bulleted information about holidays, dances, traditions, and customs of the culture of your country. Multiple slides can be used. Include pictures.
  - D. CURRENT EVENT: Include a current event from your country. Give a brief description of the event.
  - E. FOOD: Describe the cuisine, listing a few well-known and popular food dishes. Include a recipe for one dish. You can copy/paste your recipe onto a slide if you site the source. Include a picture.
  - F. FUN FACTS: Make a page of some interesting facts about your country, maybe unusual wildlife, or historical facts.
- 4. Resources: Create a bibliography, make sure you cite all references. Summarize the information on your slides in your own words (paraphrasing); use quotation marks if you copy the information exactly.
- 5. Oral Presentation: Give a 4-minute oral presentation about the country you researched. Do not read the slides, highlight each section.



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### Spanish Speaking Countries & Their Capitals

Directions: Find the capital of each of the Spanish speaking countries in the first column, write the name of the capital city in the second column.

Country Name	Capital
Argentina	
Bolivia	
Chile	
Colombia	
Costa Rica	
Cuba	
Dominican Republic	
Ecuador	
El Salvador	
Equatorial Guinea	
Guatemala	
Honduras	
Mexico	
Nicaragua	
Panama	
Paraguay	
Peru	
Puerto Rico	
Spain	
Uruguay	
Venezuela	

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#### **Answer Key**

#### Name

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Country Name	Capital
Argentina	Buenos Aires
Bolivia	La Paz & Sucre
Chile	Santiago
Colombia	Bogotá
Costa Rica	San José
Cuba	La Habana
Dominican Republic	Santo Domingo
Ecuador	Quito
El Salvador	San Salvador
Equatorial Guinea	Malabo
Guatemala	Guatemala City
Honduras	Tegucigalpa
Mexico	Mexico City
Nicaragua	Managua
Panama	Panama City
Paraguay	Asunción
Peru	Lima
Puerto Rico	San Juan
Spain	Madrid
Uruguay	Montevideo
Venezuela	Caracas

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# Hispanic Countries Word Search Puzzle

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El Salvador	Argentina	Venezuela	Paraguay
Chile	Spain	Puerto Rico	Guatemala
Dominican Republic	Costa Rica	Cuba	Ecuador
Colombia	Panama	Peru	Equatorial Guinea
Bolivia	Mexico	Honduras	Nicaragua
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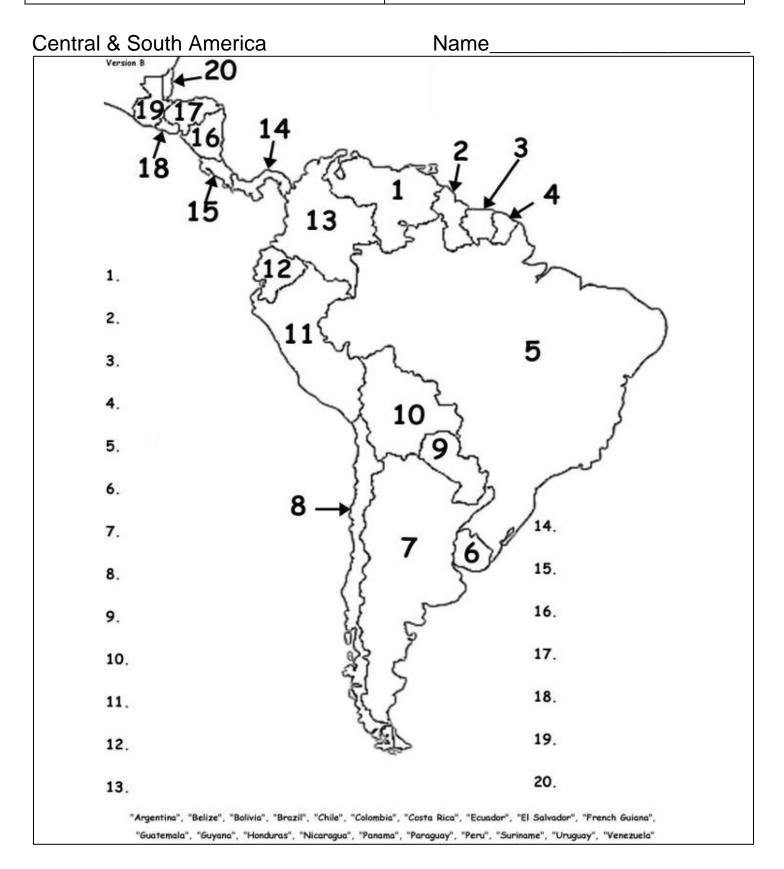
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