



Kid's Kaleidoscope

Country of the Month

Mexico

Mesoamerica



DID YOU KNOW...

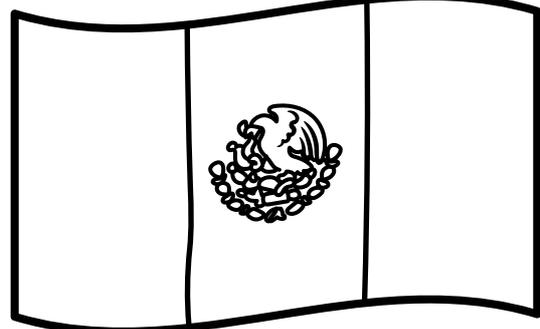
How many Nazarene Churches are there in Mexico? _____

How many medical consultations were provided to the migrant community in Mexico? _____

Did you know that the biggest pyramid in the world is in Mexico. This pyramid can be found in the Mexican Federal State Puebla.

What pyramid is it? _____

COLOR THE FLAG



The colors of the Mexican flag stand for independence, unity, and religion.

PICTURE CONNECTION

Draw a line to connect the cultural picture on the left with the phrase that best represents it. Then draw a line that connects the underlined word in the phrase to the symbol on the right that matches it.



Papel Picado (punched paper)



Guitar



Chili Pepper



Piñata



Cactus

A vegetable but also a fruit, sometimes spicy, other times sweet, but it will always add flavor. Just be respectful with how much you use!

A group of brightly colored, uniquely designed creations that display their beauty best in a group!

A party favorite! Everyone gets involved in the fun and everyone enjoys the sweet prizes.

A prickly plant with beautiful flowers that grows in many dry, arid countries. Sometimes people can be just like them, beautiful yet sometimes prickly. Yet if they are shown grace, love, and respect, we notice their beauty more than their prickles.

Mariachi is traditional Mexican music, but it's unique sound of guitars, violins, and trumpets playing together can be heard in other cultures.



Everyone is Unique and Involved



Loving others



Respect



Grace

Listen to a song about Mariachi Music here:

https://youtu.be/T_x1y0tIT2c

Cholula

ACTIVITY PAGE

Color the Kaleidoscope page that shows some cultural items from Mexico. They also remind us that each culture is unique, but there are many things we share in common. God created each one of us with unique talents and abilities, and we can use those to share Jesus with those around us by treating others with grace, love, and respect like our friends in Mexico did during their medical mission.



'Truly I tell you, anyone who gives you a cup of water in my name because you belong to the Messiah will certainly not lose their reward,'

Mark 9:41 NIV

KIDS KALEIDOSCOPE CRAFT



Papel Picado

Perforated Paper Banner



Supplies

- Colorful tissue paper
- Scissors
- Pen or pencil
- Ruler
- Clear tape or glue
- Cord or string

Papel picado is a traditional Mexican tissue paper craft that can be made by kids of all ages and adults. These banners are hung in homes and in the street to celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, national holidays, and any time there is something to celebrate.

Work together to create one of these unique banners with individual flags and hang them in your church or home to remind you to celebrate all the beautiful people God created around the World.

Step 1

Cut tissue paper sheets into approximately 5 inches (12.5 cm) by 7 inches (18cm) pieces.



Step 2

For a simple shape: fold tissue paper piece in half and then fold down in half again and draw a simple design on the folded corner then cut out with scissors. Open the fold and see the cut out shape you created.

Tip: When you are starting, try to make the designs with basic shapes like: circles, ovals, squares, long rectangles, hearts, diamonds, etc. Remember you have to draw the shape in half at the folded edges so you will have the full shape when you unfold it.



Step 3

Fold the top of each banner pieces 1/8th inch over cord or string and secure with clear tape or glue. Hang your papel picado banner!

