

SEPTEMBER 15 - OCTOBER 15 IS

**HISPANIC HERITAGE
MONTH**

ELEMENTARY LEVEL

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Use these materials to begin a conversation with elementary grade students about Hispanic and Latino people, both their diverse identities and their contributions.

GUIDING QUESTION

How have Hispanic and Latino individuals and groups contributed to the history and culture of California and the US?



EXPLORE

- Visit this site to explore the **contributions and experiences of Latinos in the US** through history, traditions, arts and entertainment, and more. <https://artsandculture.google.com/project/uslatinocultures>
- Watch and learn about **Cesar Chavez**, a labor leader and civil rights activist, and how his leadership contributed to the history of California and our nation. <https://ca.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/americon-vid-cesar-chavez/video/>. Visit and tour the **Cesar E. Chavez National Monument** <https://artsandculture.google.com/exhibit/virtual-tour-of-the-c%C3%A9sar-e-ch%C3%A1vez-national-monument-outdoors/-AjjJtdNDZH-IA>
- **Baldo** is the first syndicated **comic strip about a Latino family**. Learn about the creators and their inspiration. <https://www.pbs.org/video/inside-the-mind-of-a-comic-creator-mgbjla/>
- Watch and learn about **Ellen Ochoa**, a **Californian** and the **first hispanic woman in space**. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ge9-ZEf_6k
- **Mendez vs. Westminster** is a court case that led to the **desegregation of California schools**. Watch and learn more about this case's impact on our state and nation. <https://ca.pbslearningmedia.org/resource/osi04.soc.us.h.civil.mendez/mendez-v-westminster-desegregating-californias-schools/>. This Google Doodle celebrates **Felicitas Mendez**. <https://youtu.be/8Ky0sDXIBa4>



EXPLAIN

- As you explored Hispanic and Latino history and culture, what did you discover about how these individuals and groups are similar yet different from each other and you? (*Social Justice Standard DI.3-5.7; JU.3-5.11*)
- How have the contributions of Hispanic and Latino individuals and groups shaped our state and country?



ENGAGE FURTHER

- Visit the **At-Home with the National Museum of Mexican Art** for a list of activities for you and the whole family. <https://nationalmuseumofmexicanart.org/families>
- Watch and learn about **Roberto Clemente**, the **first Latin American baseball player to be named World Series MVP** and to the **Baseball Hall of Fame**. The Roberto Clemente award is given annually to a player who demonstrates a commitment to community. <https://www.mlb.com/video/roberto-clemente-award-preview>
- Learn about one of these **10 influential Latinas** who have shaped everything from fashion to government. <https://americanhistory.si.edu/topics/latino-history/pages/latinas-talk-hablan-de-latinas>



SECONDARY LEVEL

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Use these materials to begin a conversation with secondary grade students about Hispanic and Latino people, both their diverse identities and their contributions.

GUIDING QUESTION

How have Hispanic and Latino individuals and groups contributed to the history and culture of California and the US?



EXPLORE

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EXPLAIN

- As you explored Hispanic and Latino history and culture, what did you discover about how these individuals and groups are similar yet different from each other and you? How about common stereotypes? (*Social Justice Standard DI.6-8.7; JU.6-8.11*)
- How have the contributions of Hispanic and Latino individuals and groups shaped our state and country?



ENGAGE FURTHER

- In this TED Talk, **America Ferreira**, an award winning actress, shares how she's come to see her Latina identity as her superpower. https://www.ted.com/talks/america_ferrera_my_identity_is_a_superpower_not_an_obstacle?utm_campaign=tedspread&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=tedcomshare
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