

Ask the children:

## What do you already know about Mexico?



## First stop: Mexico DF (Mexico City)

Mexico City is slowly sinking. Due to the fact that the Mexican capital was built on a lake it is sinking 15-20cm a year.





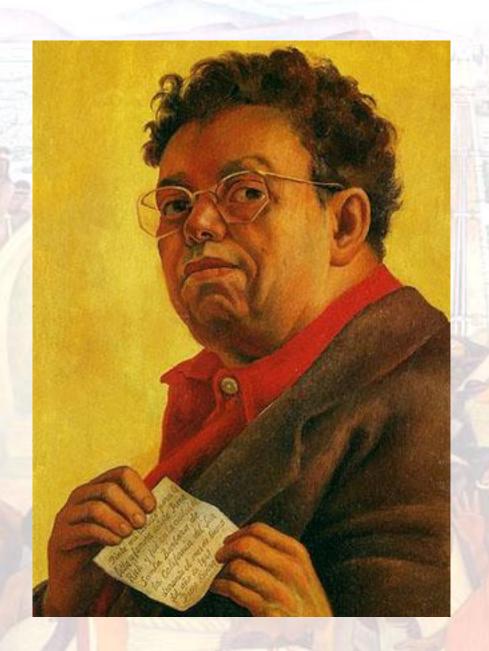
Mexico City is amongst the most populated cities in the world. In 2013, there were about nine million people living there.



The official language of Mexico is Spanish, but people also speak other languages. As many as 62 different indigenous languages are spoken in the country today. The top native languages are Náhuatl (about 2.5 million speakers) and Maya (about 1.5 million speakers).







The artwork of **Diego Rivera** and the other muralists (artists who paint on walls) tells us about Mexico's people and its history. You can find them on the walls of public buildings.







Mexico is located in the "Ring of Fire". The Ring of Fire, contains more than 450 volcanoes.

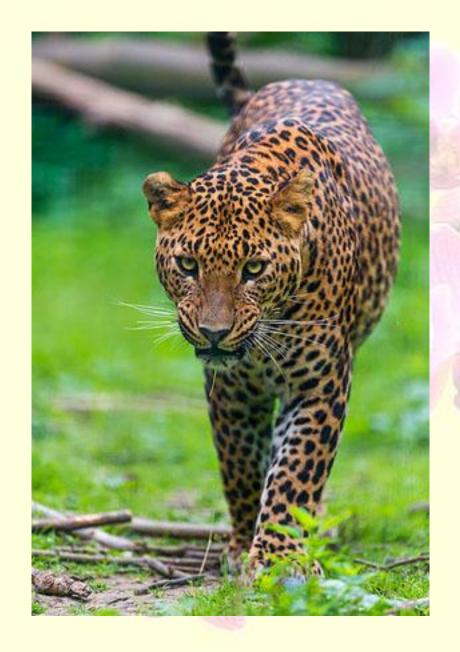




#### Let's fly south to Tulum, Yucatan

Mexico receives over 20 million tourists every year. There are many temples to visit in Yucatan built by the Mayan.





The southern jungles of Mexico are home to the jaguar. It is the largest among all wildcats found in North America.





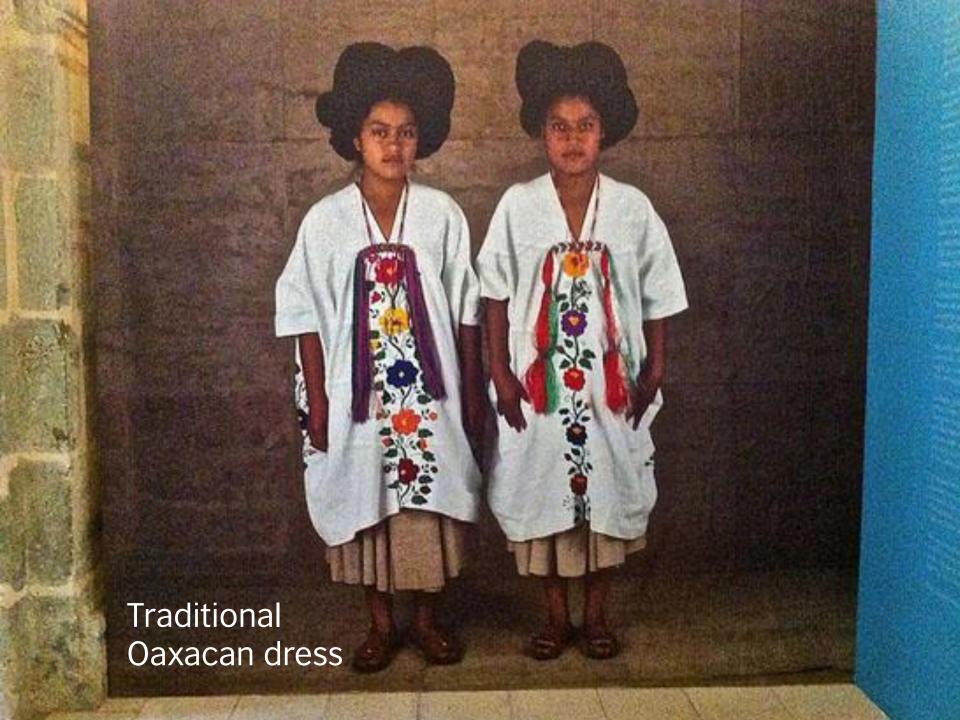
#### Now to Oaxaca (pronounced 'wahaca')



Monte Alban



Mexico is responsible for introducing chocolate to the world! It was considered the drink of the gods by early Aztec inhabitants. It is used in making the sauce 'mole negro'.



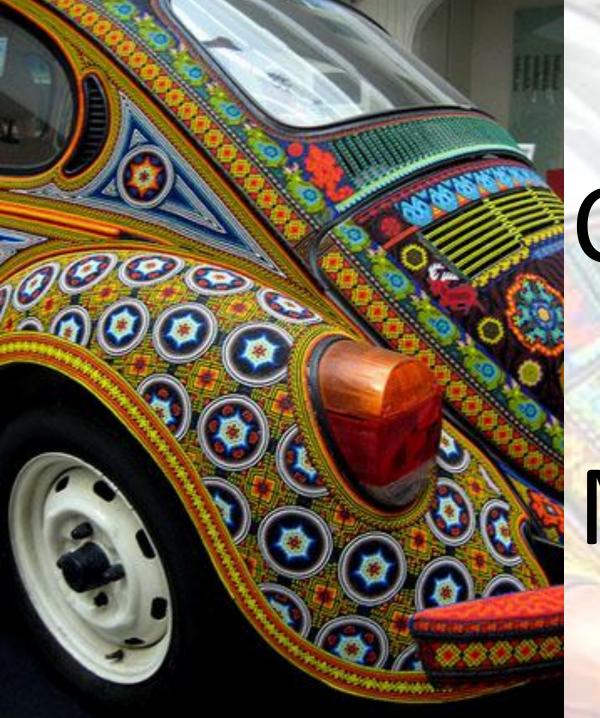




We have only visited four places, but each has been very different!

Clothes, food, celebrations, language, landscape, climate....

We have seen great diversity and lots of colours!



LOS Colores de México

# How would you describe Mexico now?

How different is life for children living in Mexico to where you live?
Do you think there any similarities?

How can you find out more?

www.schoolsonline.british council.org

### Time to reflect

Diversity adds colour to our lives.

Can you imagine how dull life would be if we all looked alike, thought alike, and even acted alike?

By learning to celebrate our similarities and appreciate our differences, together we can make the world a better place.





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