

CINCO DE MAYO

Cinco de Mayo celebrates the Battle of Puebla in Mexico on 5 May, 1862.



People celebrate Cinco de Mayo in a big way! They eat, dance and play music! They make piñatas, paper containers with sweets inside. People wear red and green clothes, the colours of the Mexican flag. There are Mexican flags everywhere. Families get together to celebrate and have fun.

The Mexican Hat Dance is a popular dance at this celebration. People sing the Mexican Hat Dance song and dance around a sombrero. A sombrero is the traditional Mexican hat.



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There are a lot of different versions of the Mexican hat Dance. Here is one of them!

The Mexican Hat Dance:

There is a special dance
That Mexicans like to do!
They dance around a hat
And clap with their hands, one, two!
And we all dance the Mexican Hat Dance,
Around and around we all go!
And we all dance the Mexican Hat
Dance,Around and around we all go!



Fast fact: Piñatas in Mexico today are usually popular cartoon characters.