

Pachamama Celebration



Good afternoon, kids! How are you today? This is Joaco and Male from Argentina! Guess which Argentinian provinces we went to? We visited the provinces of Salta and Jujuy; we were amazed by the beauty and colours of these places; the people were kind and generous.



We stayed at a local hotel near the Humahuaca Ravine; it's a chain of colourful mountains located in the northeast of Jujuy, it's 155 km long! The citizens who live here, called jujeños, each year, the first day of August, celebrate the Pachamama which means "Mother Nature".

The local people told us that the Pachamama is the goddess of the Earth who protects and feeds us; so the first of August this magnificent ceremony begins.



The celebration was amazing; **first**, the villagers dug a big hole in the ground and put a crock pot full of vegetables, meat, leaves, seeds

and also put in lama hair. All this is to thank the Earth for all she has given the people along the year and is a way of asking Pachamama good luck.

After this, all the people got together, danced and sang around the hole, in a very cheerful and hopeful mood; they all

wore colourful clothes and masks, finally they sat down and asked Mother Nature to make all their wishes come true.



At the end of the celebration, we went to the stalls in the main streets of the town and bought regional souvenirs and presents, from alpaca clothing, handicrafts, mates and salt statues.

1. Read the words in the box and drag them in the blanks.

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- The people were:
- We stayed at a local hotel near the:
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- The Pachamama is:

f. **After this**, all the people got together, around the hole, in a very mood.

g. We went to the stalls in the main streets of the town and bought regional:

2) Match the verbs. Match the **present form** with the **past form**.

Example: Visit → visited.

Visit	Sat
Stay	Told
Locate	Dug
Tell	Put
Dig	Danced
Put	Sang
Dance	Located
Sing	Stayed
Sit	Visited

3) Write in the columns the Regular and Irregular verbs from activity 2.

Regular	Irregular
Visited	Put

