



## Notas Culturales

- ❖ Hispanics typically don't wear shorts, (pantalones cortos) unless they are at the beach. Dressing up for events such as church, birthday parties or family get togethers is very common.
- ❖ Mariachis-Talk with your students about what a mariachi is and how a mariachi has a specific type of dress. Mariachis wear charros or typical suits in many different colors. They usually include large sombreros, short jackets, white shirts, bow ties. Some of them also wear serapes or capes over their jackets. Talk about their clothes in Spanish and see if the students understand you.





## Music Suggestions!



¡Los  
Mariachis!

Bring in a cd of mariachi music and have the class perform the Mexican hat dance.

Here's how:

Start with your feet together and hands at your sides. Begin the dance on the count of "1" by folding your left arm across your stomach. Make a soft fist with your left hand. Place your right elbow on your left hand. Your right hand is open like you are waving. Throw your right hand back, while putting your right heel out.

On the count of "2", fold your right arm across your stomach and make a soft fist. Place your left elbow on your right hand. Your left hand is open like you are waving. Throw your left hand back, while putting your left heel out.

On the count of "3", fold your left arm across your stomach. Your left hand can have a soft fist. Place your right elbow on your left hand. Your right hand is open like you are waving. Throw your right hand back, while putting your right heel out.

On the counts of "and 4" clap two times.

End by yelling ¡Ole!

Repeat counts 1, 2, 3 and 4 three times.