

# BIG! WORLD! FUN!

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In the second segment of the show you will see today, the traditions of the *Huichol* (wee-CHOL) culture are celebrated. The Huichol Indians farm the area of western central Mexico and have a very strong connection to the earth. As farmers, the harvest is a very important time of year for the Huichol and today you will see the "Tatei Neirra" (Dance of Our Mother Earth) that is performed to celebrate the first crops of the season. Corn is the most sacred of the crops that the Huichol harvest and they grow four types: red, blue, yellow and white corn.

*Use the compass rose on the map to find and color the region of Mexico where the Huichol live, then color in the different kinds of corn that they harvest.*

