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The Story of Corn – Kit List

Here is an outline of the methods and materials we used to create the props for the corn story. Use your creativity and the resources available to you to make a kit that suits the needs of your group.

We have attached a photo of our story kit and suggest that you take a photo of the layout of your props so that storytellers in your group will know how to set up the materials as the story unfolds.

- ◆ *box containing 'story kit'*
 - *rectangular cardboard 'photo boxes' work well*
- ◆ *cloth underlay*
 - *sew two layers of cloth wrong sides together like a pillow case, turn the layers right side out, tuck in and pin the open side, then topstitch along all four sides of the underlay about ½ " from the edge.*
- ◆ *teocintli*
 - *model the grass with Sculpey*
- ◆ *sticks in bucket*
 - *use real sticks cut into ~2" lengths in a small open topped container painted brown/terracotta*
- ◆ *seeds*
 - *model the teocintli seeds with Sculpey and use real seeds in relation to the Honduran section of the story*
- ◆ *corn cob*
 - *use a cob of "Indian corn" and embroidery floss – paint the kernels yellow and the husk green (several shades of each colour add depth), then use a glue gun to adhere the husk to the cob and the embroidery floss to the kernels.*
- ◆ *suitcase*
 - *model suitcase with Sculpey*
- ◆ *planet Earth*
 - *use a laminated photo of planet Earth*
- ◆ *Three Sisters (beans, squash, corn)*
 - *model plants with Sculpey*
- ◆ *chicken, pig, cow*
 - *purchase farm animals*
- ◆ *full grocery bag*
 - *sew felt grocery bag, fill bottom 2/3 of bag with tissue paper, aluminum foil, or similar and stuff top of bag with Sculpey groceries*
- ◆ *insect(s) and plant*
 - *model leaf and insects with Sculpey*
- ◆ *Honduras pictures*
 - *print out and laminate pictures included here*



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Honduran Hills



Community Seed Bank





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