

**SOCIAL PRACTICE: Talk about cultural habits of different countries.**

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**1 Read the information and answer the questions.**

### Chapter 7

#### The Languages of Mexico


**Introduction**

What language do Mexicans speak? Most people outside of Mexico think Mexicans speak Spanish, and that is true. However, many people in Mexico speak other languages. The speakers of those languages are indigenous people, or Native Americans.

**Indigenous Languages**

There are many indigenous groups in Mexico, and many of those groups have distinct languages. In fact, there are more than 100 indigenous languages in Mexico. Only four indigenous languages are spoken by more than 5% of the indigenous population. The table below shows the most widely spoken Native American languages. It also shows the percentage of indigenous people who speak those languages.

Native American Languages in Mexico	
Indigenous Language	Percentage of Indigenous People Speaking the Language
Nahuatl	25%
Mayan	14%
Mixtec	7%
Zapotec	7%
Percentage of indigenous people who speak Spanish	80%



Nahuatl is the most commonly spoken indigenous language in Mexico. It was originally the language of the Aztecs. Although many languages are spoken in Mexico, most of the population speaks Spanish as a native or second language.

Regions in Mexico where Nahuatl is spoken

- 1 What is the number of the chapter?  
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- 2 What is the chapter's title?  
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- 3 What are the chapter's subtitles?  
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- 4 What information does the table contain?  
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- 5 What is the illustration about?  
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- 6 What is the main idea of this chapter?  
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**2 Write different ways to express comparisons between the U.S. and Mexico.**

Mexico		U.S.
1 Students usually eat at home after school.	➔	
2	➔	Americans wear less fancy clothes to family parties.
3	➔	When they arrive to a party it's more common to just wave and say hello.
4 In this country the most famous chicken dish is mole con pollo.	➔	
5	➔	People leave a party after dinner.