



1. Mexican Hat Dance Freeze

Objective: Keep moving to the music, but freeze when it stops!

Setup: Arrange a circle of sombreros on the floor.

How to Play: Participants dance around the circle of hats while Mexican music plays. When the music stops, everyone must freeze in place. Anyone who moves is out. The last person dancing wins.

2. El Reloj (The Clock)

Objective: Move in a circle without breaking the chain.

Setup: No setup required, just a spacious area.

How to Play: Participants hold hands in a circle and move in a clockwise direction while singing a traditional Mexican song. When the song stops, they must reverse direction without breaking the chain. If the chain breaks, the group starts over.

3. Lotería (Mexican Bingo)

Objective: Be the first to complete a row on your card.

Setup: Print out Lotería cards and have a deck of Lotería calling cards.

How to Play: The caller draws a card and calls out the image. Players place a marker on the corresponding image on their card. The first person to complete a row shouts "Lotería!" and wins a prize.



4. Piñata Relay Race

Objective: Collect the most candy from the piñata.

Setup: Hang a piñata filled with candy at one end of the play area for each team. Divide participants into teams and line them up at the opposite end of the area. Provide each team with a blindfold and a stick or bat.

How to Play: Split participants into equal teams. Line up the teams at a starting line, opposite the piñata. The first player from each team is blindfolded, given a stick or bat, and spins around three times. The blindfolded player then runs to the piñata, attempts to hit it once, and runs back to the starting line. Once the first player returns to the starting line, they pass the blindfold and stick to the next player, who repeats the process. Players continue taking turns until the piñata is broken. Once the piñata breaks, all team members rush to collect as much candy as they can. The team that collects the most candy wins.

5. Taco Relay

Objective: Build the fastest and best taco.

Setup: Provide taco shells and various fillings.

How to Play: Divide participants into teams. Each team member runs to the table, adds one ingredient to the taco, and runs back to tag the next member. The first team to build their taco wins, but bonus points can be given for neatness and creativity.

6. Mexican Hat Toss

Objective: Toss rings onto sombreros to score points.

Setup: Place several sombreros at different distances.

How to Play: Participants take turns tossing rings (or small hoops) onto the sombreros. Assign points to each sombrero based on difficulty. The player with the most points at the end wins.

7. Pin the Tail on the Burro

Objective: Pin the tail on the burro while blindfolded.

Setup: Draw or buy a poster of a burro (donkey) and have paper tails with tape.

How to Play: Blindfold a participant, spin them gently, and let them try to pin the tail on the burro. The closest tail wins.



8. Mexican Charades

Objective: Guess the Mexican-themed word or phrase.

Setup: Write down Mexican-themed words or phrases on slips of paper.

How to Play: Divide into teams. One team member acts out the word or phrase without speaking. The team has one minute to guess. Correct guesses score points. The team with the most points wins.

9. Mexican Trivia Game

Objective: Test your knowledge about Mexico and see who can answer the most questions correctly.

Setup: Prepare a list of Mexican trivia questions, a timer, and scorecards or paper and pens for each team/player.

How to Play: Split participants into teams or let them play individually. The game consists of several rounds of questions. The host reads a trivia question out loud. Teams or players write down their answers within a set time limit (e.g., 30 seconds). After the time is up, each team/player reveals their answers. Correct answers earn points. The host keeps track of scores on a scorecard.

10. Papel Picado Coloring

Objective: Relax and unwind by creating colorful papel picado designs.

Setup: Provide sheets of paper, coloring pencils or markers, scissors, and templates of traditional papel picado designs.

How to Play: Give each participant a sheet of paper and a template of a papel picado design. Allow participants to color their designs using the pencils or markers provided. Once the designs are colored, participants can carefully cut out their designs following the template outlines. After everyone has completed their papel picado, hang the finished pieces around the party area as decorations.

