• Mexico means: “In the navel of the moon”
• 6000 years of history
• Mexicans are ethnically related to U.S. Native Americans.
• Among the most diverse ecologically
• Largest Spanish-speaking population
• Origin of corn, beans, chili, vanilla, cocoa, avocado, pumpkins/squash, papaya, etc.

• Multicultural and multiethnic: 66 languages.
• Examples of English words that have a Mexican origin:
  • Avocado (“Ahuacatl”)
  • Chocolate (“Chocolatl”)
  • Coyote (“Coyotl”)
  • Chili (“Chili”)
  • Tomato (“Tomatl”)