

The goal of this questionnaire is to help you compare and contrast foods from Mexico with foods from Spain. Use the links on the website (mainly the links to Wikipedia) to help you research the information.

1. Mexican food has many influences. What native tribes contributed to today's Mexican cuisine?  
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2. The Spanish colonized much of Mexico and added their influence to Mexican cuisine. What ingredients did the Spanish conquistadors bring to Mexico that influenced their cuisine (there are many, name 3 here)?  
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3. Although Spanish food influenced Mexican foods, they remain very different. Spices used in each country are not the same. Mexican cuisine is often flavored with what spices or vegetables (name 2)?  
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4. Spanish cuisine was influenced by what cultures? (name 2)  
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5. What oil is essential in Spanish cuisine?  
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6. What are the 2 major seasonings used in Spanish cuisine?  
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7. What is saffron? \_\_\_\_\_

8. What is a tapa? \_\_\_\_\_

9. How did the name tapa come about?  
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10. Name a creamy Spanish dessert with a caramel topping. \_\_\_\_\_

11. Your friend tells you that her dad is going to Spain on a business trip and she gets to go along! She then says she can't wait to try Spanish tacos and enchiladas. What would you tell her about Spanish cuisine?  
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