

In [Fiesta Con Sonia De Los Santos](#), Sonia is throwing a party to celebrate her dream of playing music with her friends from around the world! In this Family Activity, get in touch with your cultural heritage, test your musical knowledge and craft a guitar.

AT HOME

Sonia De Los Santos' music is dedicated to her family, where they came from, and the importance of community—no matter where you build it. In this activity, explore your family history and celebrate your heritage!

Materials: [Map Worksheet](#), Crayons

Step One: Print out the [Map Worksheet](#).



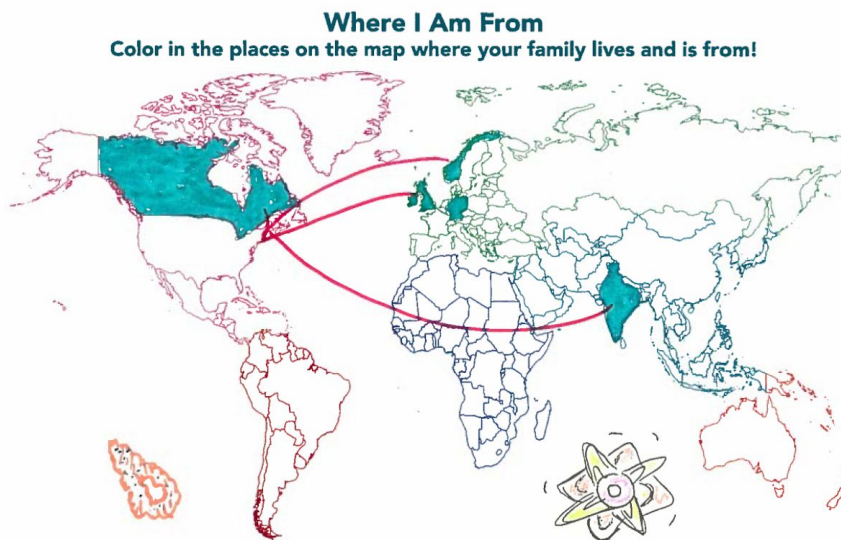
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Step Two: With your family, have a conversation about all the places on the map your family comes from. Color in each place, and draw a line to show their journey to where you live now.

Step Three: How do you practice your culture at home? Honor your family by decorating your map, inspired by the prompts on your worksheet. Do you have more ideas? Use them to bring your map to life!

Check out our own map as an example.



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**Fiesta
SONIA
DE LOS SANTOS**

ON YOUR WAY

Different instruments make different sounds. Can you name an instrument based on the sound you hear? Find out with the game, ["Name That Instrument!"](#)



AFTER THE SHOW

Sonia has achieved her dream to play music from around the world, all around the world! First, reflect on the show you just saw, then follow in her footsteps by making a [guitar](#) and writing your own song.

Use these questions as a starting point for discussion:

- What was the story about? What was Sonia's journey?
- What were your favorite parts of the show?
- What kinds of music did you hear? What kinds of dance did you see?
- What different production elements (music, lighting, costumes, etc.) did you notice in the show?
- How did the show make you feel?



Create your own guitar!



Materials: An empty tissue box, three to five rubber bands, paper towel roll, glue or tape, construction paper, scissors, decorations

Step One: Make a tissue box [guitar!](#)

1. Remove the plastic from the top of the empty tissue box.
2. Wrap your tissue box in construction paper (leaving the hole uncovered). Decorate the box however you'd like. Do you have stickers, crayons, gemstones or paint? Get creative!
3. Wrap three to five rubber bands around the box guitar from top to bottom, spacing them evenly apart.
4. Glue the empty toilet paper roll to one short end of the tissue paper box. Let it dry.
5. Rock out.

Step Two: Every musician needs a hit song—now it's time to write your own. You can create whatever kind of song you would like. Need some help getting started? Use the outline below—all you have to do is fill in the blanks with something that you do when you're happy!

If you're happy and you know it, _____ .
 If you're happy and you know it, _____ .
 If you're happy and you know it, and you really want to show it,
 If you're happy and you know it, _____ .

Now, try it in Spanish! We've translated the song verses for you—can you translate the words you chose to fill in the blank?

Si eres feliz y lo sabes, _____ .
 Si eres feliz y lo sabes, _____ .
 Si eres feliz y lo sabes, en tu cara se verá,
 Si eres feliz y lo sabes, _____ .

Is there another language you speak at home or you are learning? Try to translate your song into that language.

Step Three: Perform your song with your guitar! Encourage your friends and family to perform their own songs.

AND BEYOND

- Listen to Sonia De Los Santos' [latest album!](#)
- Check out [these NYC resources](#) for music classes for kids.
- Explore South America through your taste buds with this [list](#) of yummy places to eat.