

Have you ever wondered? --- Not sure which word to use? Let us help!

Cultural Identity Reference Guide

Hispanic

: Of or relating to the people, speech, or culture of Spain.

Latin

: Root of the five romance languages (Spanish, French, Italian, Portuguese and Romanian).

Latin America

: Mexico, Central America, South America and the Caribbean.

Latin American

: A person born in Latin America and/or having resided in Latin America for an extended period.

Latino, Latina, Latin@

: A person that identifies with a country in Latin America, living in the U.S. – Usually born in the U.S. or having resided in the U.S. for an extended period.

Latinx

: Of, relating to Latin American heritage – Used as a gender-neutral alternative to Latino or Latina.

Spanish

: The people of Spain.
: The spoken language of the largest part of Spain and of the countries colonized by Spaniards.

Note: This reference guide is intended to be a basic resource to increase awareness and guide preliminary conversation. Definitions listed may vary across resources and in individual context.

Questions?

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