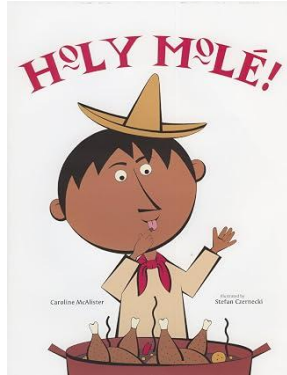


Read Aloud Guide for Families



Holy Molé!: A Folktale from Mexico

Author: Caroline McAlister

Illustrator: Stefan Czernecki

Themes: Mexican heritage, Cooking, Growth

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, “What is a monastery, a viceroy, and **molé**?”

While Reading: Make Connections

- Think about a young boy, perhaps your age, working in the kitchen.
- Think about the idea of happy or good accidents.

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, “What did you learn from the story about helping with something that perhaps you don’t think you can do at first?”
- Ask, “What did you learn about working hard and learning from mistakes?”

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Together, draw illustrations of the ingredients in molé.
- Try making molé at home together. Is it difficult? How does it taste?