

Beaded Corn STEM Activity

<https://video.link/w/fJ2Bd>



- 1) Visit:
<https://www.giftofcuriosity.com/easy-fall-science-sprouting-indian-corn/>
- 2) Students will identify and discuss importance of Indigenous people stewarding the land and plants of their homelands
- 3) Students will identify what Indigenous people cultivated and harvested
- 4) Show different multicolor corn seeds
- 5) Students will discuss and identify everything that can be made out of corn.
i.e. tortillas, popcorn, hominy, corn on the cob, corn flour
- 6) Students will discuss and identify what could be done with the corn husks

Materials

- 4 Pipe Cleaners (12-inch length)
- Plastic Pony Beads (approximately 120 beads)

Instructions

- Line up your pipe cleaners so they are even on each end and twist them together in the middle.
- Next, evenly space each pipe cleaner and spread them into the shape of a star.
- Start threading the beads onto each pipe cleaner, until all 8 are covered. Be sure to leave a little over an inch of pipe cleaner showing on each end so you have enough to twist your husks later on.
- Next, take the tops of your pipe cleaners and twist them a couple times to secure the beads and form the corn "husks." Be sure to leave some ends free and fan them out a bit.

