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“Unknown wonders of Tucumán”

Activity 1: “Hunting for the amazing fact”

- 1) In groups, read the information provided. Identify the “amazing fact” of each text. Then, discuss with the class.

Museo Casa Histórica de la Independencia

This is the Independence House Museum. It is an old house in the city of San Miguel de Tucumán. This place is really important for Argentina. The leaders of the country met here for a very big meeting in 1816. On July 9th, they say, “Argentina is now free!” This is the Declaration of Independence. Now, the house is a museum.

Every year on July 9th, it is a big celebration. The President of Argentina usually comes to this city. For that one day, San Miguel de Tucumán is the capital of the country.





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Cerro San Javier and the Noque River Waterfall

Cerro San Javier is a beautiful and very high mountain in Tucumán, Argentina. It has amazing views. You can go hiking on easy trails, see many birds, and take photos. From the top, you can see all the valleys and the city. This mountain is in a very big group of mountains.

Nearby, there is a special place called the Noque River Waterfall. It is a natural swimming pool in the warm valley. To get there, you walk a short and easy path (only about 600 meters) from the main road, close to the Cristo Bendicente statue.

Together, these two places are perfect for nature lovers. You can visit the mountain for adventure and views, and then go to the waterfall to swim and relax in the refreshing water. They are both easy to visit by car or bus and are a great escape near the city.





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Quebrada de los Sosa - Monteros

Quebrada de los Sosa is a beautiful natural place in the Tucumán province. It is located inside the big Aconquija mountain range. This valley is famous for its incredible variety of plants, flowers, and animals that live there. Visitors love to explore this place. They can walk along scenic trails, observe many types of birds, and take beautiful photos of the mountains and rivers. It is an excellent place for nature walks and outdoor fun. This land has a very long history. For many, many centuries, indigenous peoples lived here in harmony with nature. Later, Spanish explorers also passed through these mountains, adding to their story.

The best months to visit are from September to November (Spring) and from March to May (Autumn). During these times, the days are sunny and cool, and the landscapes are full of life and colour. It is the perfect season to enjoy a calm walk and breathe the fresh air of the valley.





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The Empanada Route

Famaillá is a friendly town in Tucumán. Its special name is the “Capital of the Empanada.” This is because the local food is a popular attraction. The most famous dish is the “knife-cut empanada,” which is cooked in a clay oven. The town is also beautiful, with crafts made from leather and stone.

This town is part of The Empanada Route. The route has 50 different food places in three towns: San Miguel de Tucumán, Yerba Buena, and Famaillá. This route teaches people the real, traditional recipe for the Tucumán empanada. Families keep this recipe alive, passing it from generation to generation for many years. A real Tucumán empanada includes:

It has meat cut carefully with a knife, onion, eggs, and special spices.

It is always very juicy.

The dough is thin and very crunchy.

Each empanada must have 13 to 15 small folds on the edge.

Eating these empanadas makes people very happy. It is a fun route for walking, learning, and tasting. Every year, Famaillá celebrates the National Empanada Party. It is a big folk festival for this important regional food. There is good music, famous singers, and lots of delicious food. This festival shows that the empanada is the true pride of Tucumán.





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The Wine Route

Tucumán is a small but important region in the north of Argentina. It has a lot of history for the country. The wine region is part of the Calchaquí Valley.

A long time ago, Spanish people brought the first grape plants to this area. The weather is generally hot in the summer and dry in the winter. It has sandy land with big mountains around it. This special place gives the wine its unique character.

Tucumán is famous for the high quality of its red wines. The best examples are Malbec and Cabernet Sauvignon. There is also a popular white wine from this area called Torrontés. Most of the vineyards grow red grapes. The entire Tucumán wine region has a special name for its quality. One smaller area inside it, called Tañi, also has its own special name for wine. This means the wine from here is of high quality and comes only from this special place.



b) Read the sentences. Are they True (T) or False (F)? Justify the false ones.

1. The Independence House Museum is a new house.
2. The Noque Waterfall is a place to swim.
3. El Chorro is a waterfall in the city centre.
4. The best time to visit Quebrada de los Sosa is spring and autumn.
5. A real Tucumán empanada has thirteen to fifteen folds.
6. Tucumán is very famous for its white wine.

c) Complete the sentences. Use these words:

juicy, mountains, capital, celebrate, walk

1. On July 9th, people _____ Argentina's Independence.
2. For one day, San Miguel de Tucumán is the _____ of the country.
3. You can _____ on easy trails in Cerro San Javier.
4. A Tucumán empanada is very _____.
5. The wine region has big _____ all around.