A Book of Mormon

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The Church History Museum near Temple Square has a special exhibit called "A Book of Mormon Celebración for Children." Gaby L., Lissie A., and Nash K. visited the museum for a look at some of the fun and interesting things the exhibit has for children to see and do.

The exhibit is in both English and Spanish. Many of the members of the Church today speak Spanish! Gaby, age 6, speaks both languages at home.

Samuel the Lamanite stood on a wall to teach about Jesus Christ. Lissie, age 8, dresses doll figures to act out stories of Jesus's life that Samuel taught about.

Nash, age 10, uses big padded blocks to build a structure representing the temple in the land Bountiful. That's where Jesus Christ visited the Nephites.

The Book of Mormon exhibit will be open through 2012.

Celebración

The children had fun celebrating by dressing up and learning a dance from Mexico.

Gaby, age 6, turns pages of a model of the gold plates. Nearby is a Book of Mormon in Spanish.

Lissie plays a Book of Mormon game at a computer kiosk.

Celebrate!

For a fun family activity, plan your own Book of Mormon celebration. Here are some ideas:

* Collect simple costume pieces such as bathrobes and headbands made from fabric strips. Add items such as a bow, a fishing pole, or a compass. Let everyone choose a costume and then read or act out a story from the Book of Mormon.
* Tape together several big pieces of paper, and make a mural showing Lehi's vision of the tree of life, the boat journey to the promised land, or another scene or story. Or you could have everyone draw a picture of the Liahona.
* Use pictures from the *Gospel Art Book* to explain how we got the Book of Mormon.
* Have each family member tell how the Book of Mormon has helped him or her make a decision or feel close to Heavenly Father and Jesus Christ.
* Have some easy refreshments such as fruit, or tortillas with melted cheese.

Watch a Video

You can watch a video about Gaby, Lissie, and Nash's visit at lds.org/friend.