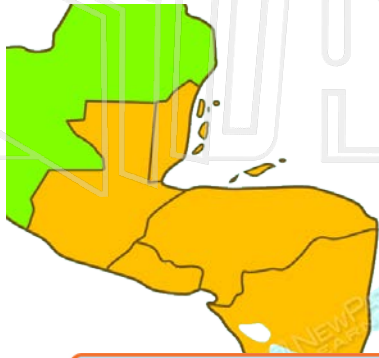


CENTRAL AMERICA

Central America is the small isthmus that separates the Pacific Ocean and Caribbean Sea, and connects North America and South America. It is made up of these **seven countries**:

A row of educational icons including a cube, microscope, protractor, globe, atom, pie chart, bar graph, and math symbols, with a group of diverse children below them.

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- Costa Rica

Central America is considered a **Mesoamerican** civilization that was largely inhabited by people indigenous to the area until Spanish intervention in the 1500's. The most notable of the native people of Central America are the **Mayans** and **Aztecs**, who created an empire in this region of the Americas.



After the **Spanish rule**, the people of Central America established different stages of independence from New Spain. Mexican and U.S. involvement played a big part in the history and creation of Central America as we know it today.

An illustration showing a row of diverse children standing on a green patch of grass. Above them are four thought bubbles containing various educational icons: a cube, a microscope, a protractor, a globe, a chemistry flask, a globe, a DNA helix, a pie chart, a bar graph, and a calculator. The word 'ABC' is also visible in one of the bubbles.

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