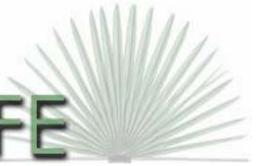


Some Basic Types of FOLKLIFE



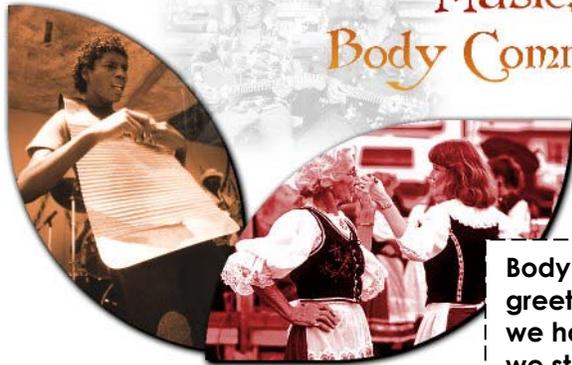
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Oral Traditions

Tales told long ago, today's jokes, legends, tall tales, toasts, and stories we tell about us.



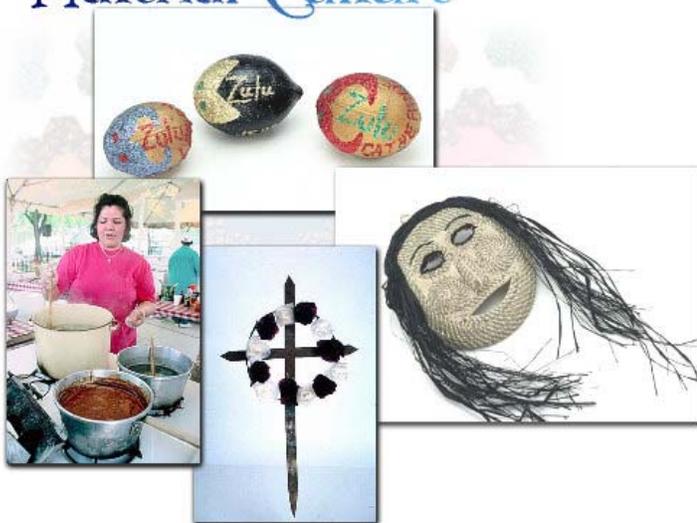
Music, Dance, and Body Communication



Examples of music are lullabies sung at home, or traditional music performed in public. Dances may include those we learn from each other.

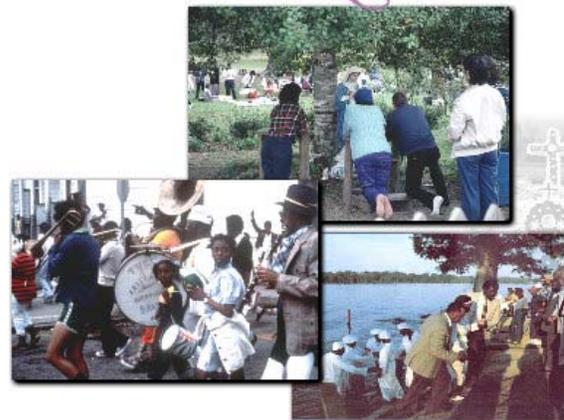
Body Communication includes greetings or hand signs and the ideas we have about them, such as how far we stand away from each other.

Material Culture



The "stuff" of our lives: buildings, crafts, foods, handmade instruments, work things, and even paper airplanes we make.

Beliefs and Customs



Folk Beliefs include beliefs about the weather, home cures, and other accepted ideas by a group. Customs are what we do on holidays or family events like birthdays.