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Children learn of Mexico through coloring books

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ROGERS — Thirteen children took a trip along with a girl named Mary to Mexico during a special presentation Saturday at the Rogers Public Library.

Then, they got to illustrate the story themselves with their very own bilingual coloring book.

While learning what a birthday celebration entails in our neighbor to the south, the children also learned that 10 U.S. dollars equals 100 pesos.

Currency exchange rates aren't the usual fodder for coloring books or topics of conversation for young children, but the group who presented it was just as interested in the economics of the story as the story itself.

The coloring book — and the presentation that went along with it — was a production of Northwest Arkansas Community College's Students in Free Enterprise team.

Becky Murillo, the SIFE member who narrated the Spanish in the story, said that the presentation was done last year, but one of the added twists this year was bringing in the foreign language.

Crayons in hand, the smiles on the children's faces needed no translation.

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