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What is a store in Oaxaca, Mexico, like? This student from Houston, Texas, found out when a hands-on exhibit came to town. Later, the store was set up in Oaxaca's sister city!

## MEXICAN STORE VISITS SISTER CITY

**Palo Alto, California** — This city has a sister. In fact, it has four sisters — Sister Cities! Linkoping, Sweden; Enschede, Netherlands; and Palo in Leyte, Philippines, are all about 7,000 miles away. Palo Alto's nearest sister city is Oaxaca (Wa-HA-ka), the capital of a mountainous state in Mexico. It lies about 4,450 miles south of Palo Alto. But last year, 25,000 Palo Alto students got to know Oaxaca better. No one had to travel far. Why? Walking into the Palo Alto Junior Museum one year ago was like walking into a Oaxaca village!

Students smelled *tortillas* (tor-TEE-yas) cooking. Tour guides *bartered* with

students in an open market. On the patio of an Indian home built of bamboo, they ground corn on a stone table. Students wearing *sombreros* (som-BRAIR-ros) on their heads even ran the local store. They sold Mexican candy by the *kilo!* (KEY-low)

The exhibit left Palo Alto. But southern Mexico still seems closer to northern California than ever before!

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