

The many uses of CORN

(and this is just the tip of the stalk)



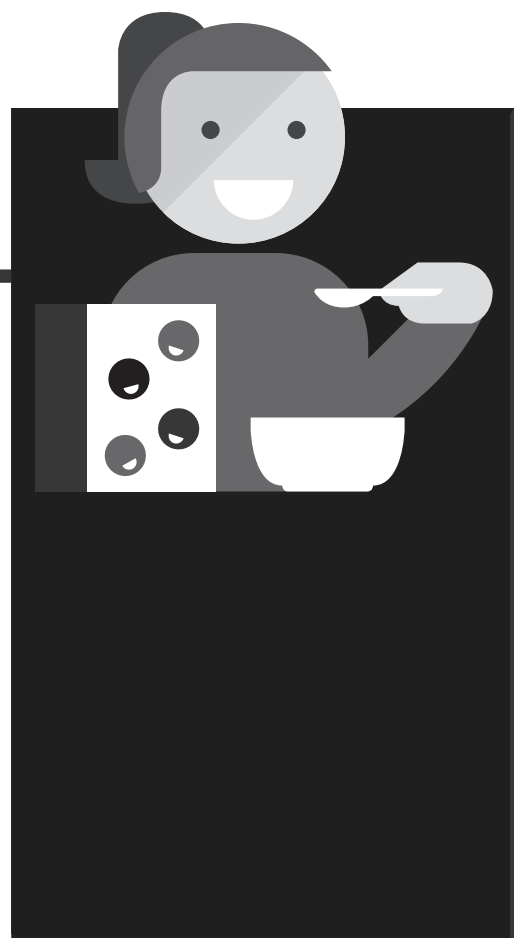
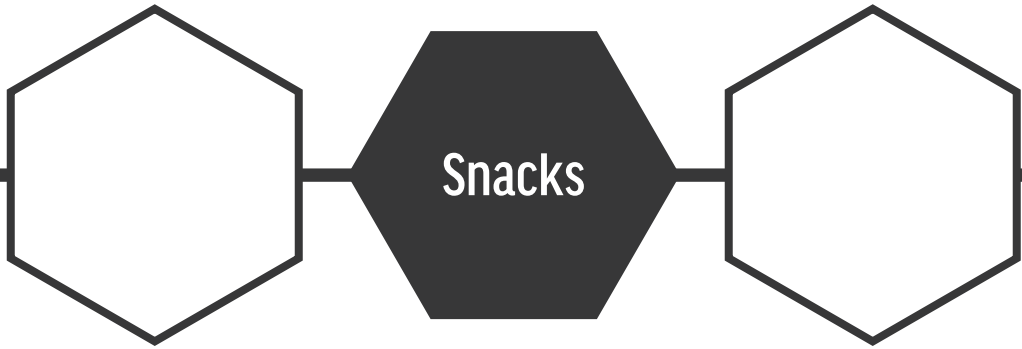
From the molding process to helping keep the paper labels in place, corn products are involved in almost every step of making **CRAYONS**. Color us impressed.

It takes more than a gripping plot to hold a book together. Corn-produced dextrin is used to make the adhesives found in **BOOK BINDINGS**.

Ceramics



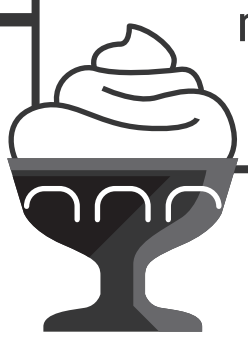
Americans eat more than 4 billion **TACOS** every year, many of which are wrapped in corn tortilla shells.



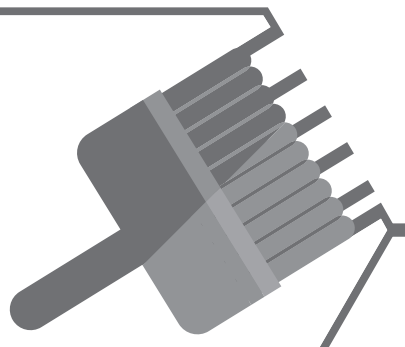
Chances are, you've been eating corn since before you could walk, as it's an ingredient in many **BABY FOOD** flavors.

Chewing gum

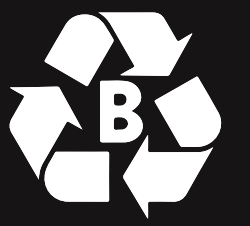
Corn in **PUDDING**? That's right. Corn kernels are used to make fiber, protein, oil and starch, which means corn can be found in many of your favorite foods—even dessert.



Time to brush up on your corn knowledge. Corn products are used as solvents for **PAINTS, DYES, RESINS** and **LACQUERS**.



Corn doesn't just come from the earth—it also helps preserve it. Corn is a key ingredient in **BIOPLASTICS**, helping things like cups and bottles decompose without harming the environment.



Almost 15% of the 15 billion bushels of corn grown in the U.S. in 2016/17 was **EXPORTED** to more than 100 countries worldwide.



Corn is incredibly absorbent, making it the perfect ingredient to help **DIAPERS** hold in what baby boys and girls can't.

HOME

Everything from the color and smell to the cleaning ability of **HAND SOAP** is thanks to corn, which accounts for about 1/4 of its ingredients.



Wallpaper

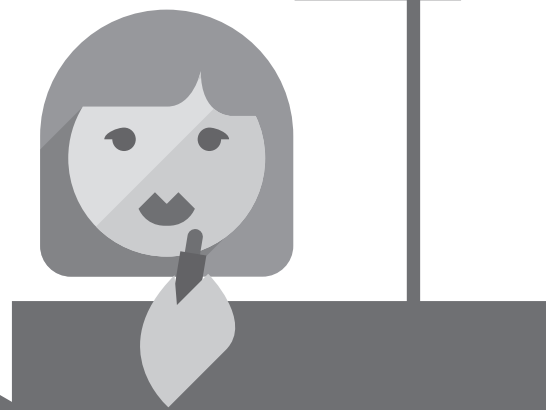
Linoleum

Shoe polish

Carpeting

Dusting products

Insulation



Everything from corn oil to corn meal is used to make **COSMETICS**. So the next time mom puts on a little makeup, you can tell her how corny she looks (ok, maybe not).

A spoonful of corn helps the medicine go down. Corn is added to many **COUGH SYRUPS** for flavor, giving some relief to your taste buds as well as your throat.



MEDICINE

Antibiotics

Disinfectants



Want to feel even better about corn? Corn starch is used as a bonding agent in **ASPIRIN** tablets, helping to hold together all the other ingredients.



When corn starch is combined with certain polymers, it creates a protective compound that works perfectly in medical **BANDAGES** and wraps.

Vitamin carriers

INDUSTRY



TIRES are what keep businesses moving. Cornstarch is added to tire molds before pouring the rubber to prevent sticking.



Rust prevention

Drilling fluids

Textile finishing

Insecticides

Most of the things you see in a store, from toys to televisions, are made using **MOLDED PLASTIC** parts. Cornstarch helps lubricate plastic molds so individual parts can be easily removed.



Water treatment

Lubricating agents

Paper products

From the husks to the cobs to the kernels, almost every part of the corn plant can be used to make all kinds of **CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS**, including drywall, insulation and sandpaper.

