



Teacher's Guide

The Mystery of the Giant Caves **Moko**

Grade Levels:
K-5

Subject Areas:
Reading
Writing/Composition
Media Literacy/Critical Thinking
Earth Sciences

Synopsis:

Moko & Totemie set off to find a rare mushroom. As they are looking for it, they fall down a hole in the ground. Inside they find a wondrous cave filled with amazing sights. They follow a stream back outside and are greeted by an old man with the rare mushroom.

Learning Objectives: Students will:

- Enjoy the origin story presented in this program.
- Understand what a cenote is and how it forms.
- Evaluate Moko's reasoning and conclusions.

Vocabulary:

Cenote, sinkhole, cave, abyss, porous, underground water

Pre-Viewing Discussion:

Have you ever been in a cave? What was that like?

Can you think of something in nature that you've seen that was awesome? What was it?

Post-Viewing Discussion:

What did Moko and Totemie see when they fell down the hole?

How does a cenote form? Where are they found?

Further Activities:

Find additional information on cenotes and report on what you learn.

Imagine you fall into a hole in the ground. Write a story about your adventures.