

# WHAT KIND OF CORN ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

## CREATES INTEREST AND ENGAGEMENT

Display the following types of corn on a table:

- Sweet Corn
- Field Corn
- Popcorn

Holding up the sweet corn ask, What kind of corn is this? This is sweet corn, which we eat as a vegetable. You can find it canned, frozen, or my favorite on the cob.

Holding up the ear of popcorn ask, What kind of corn is this? This is popcorn. Popcorn can be many colors, but the most common ones we eat have yellow or white kernels. All popcorn pops white; it's just the outside of the kernel that's different.

Holding up the field corn ask, What kind of corn is this? This is field corn. Ninety-nine percent of the corn grown in America is field corn. It can be grown in many climates and soils and it can be used for so many different things like livestock feed, cornstarch, corn oil, corn syrup, and ethanol. The "Corn Belt" refers to states where growing conditions are ideal for corn like Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, Minnesota, Indiana, Ohio, Wisconsin, South Dakota, Michigan, Missouri, Kansas and Kentucky. With the exception of Antarctica, corn is produced on every continent in the world. There are over 3,500 different uses for corn products.