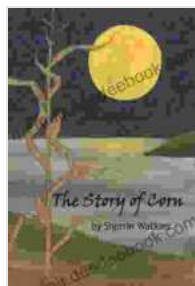


# The Story of Corn: A History of the World's Greatest Cereal Grain



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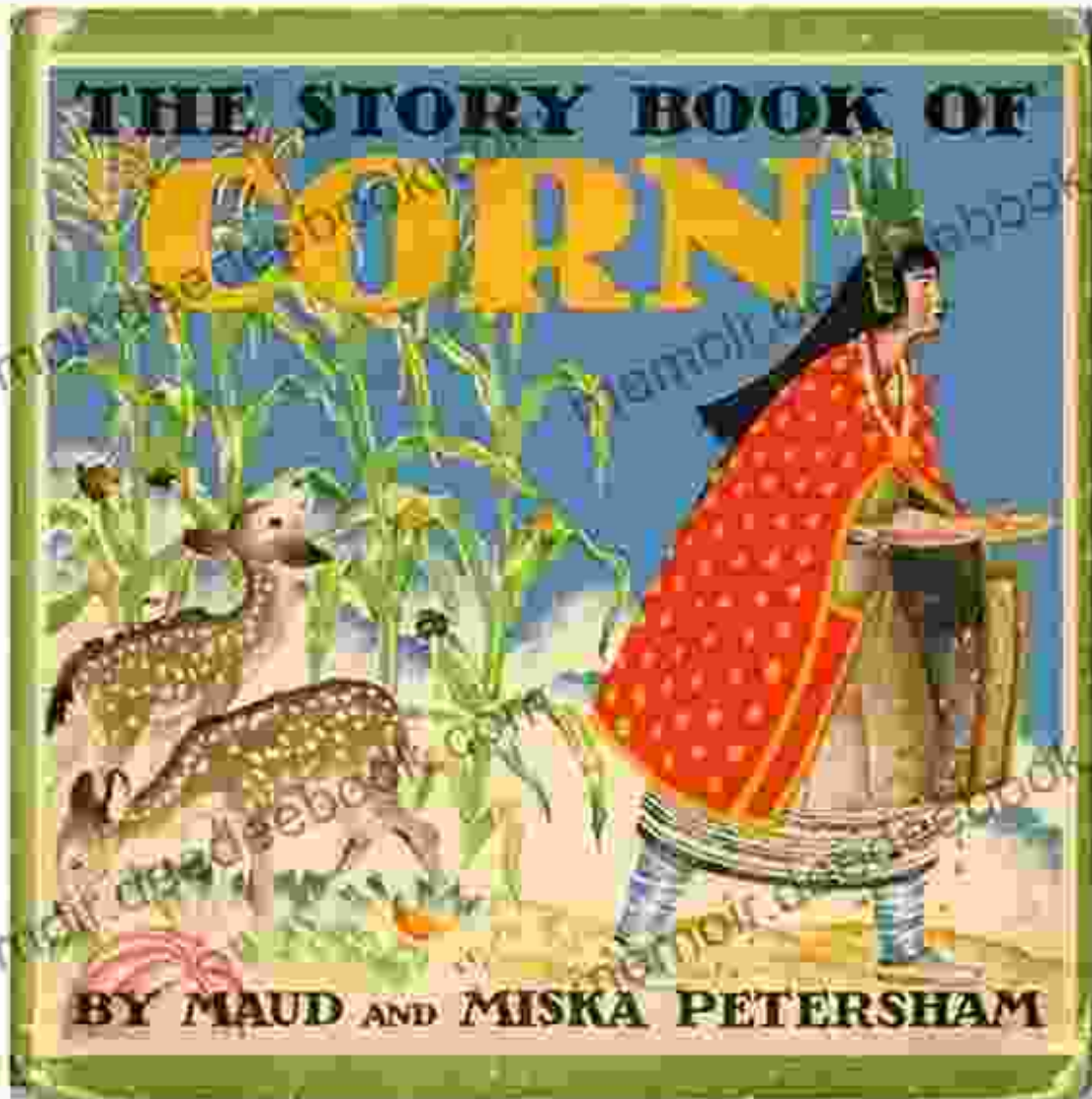


Corn is one of the world's most important cereal grains, and it has a long and fascinating history. From its origins in Mexico to its spread around the world, corn has played a vital role in human societies for centuries. In this article, we will explore the story of corn, from its humble beginnings to its present-day status as a global staple crop.

## The Origins of Corn

Corn is a member of the grass family, and it is thought to have originated in Mexico about 9,000 years ago. The earliest known corncobs were found in the Tehuacán Valley of Mexico, and they date back to around 7,000 BC. These early corncobs were much smaller than the corncobs we know today, and they had a much harder kernel. Over time, corn was domesticated and cultivated by the indigenous peoples of Mexico, and it eventually spread to other parts of the Americas.

Corn was a major staple crop for the ancient civilizations of Mesoamerica, including the Mayans and the Aztecs. The Mayans believed that corn was a gift from the gods, and they used it to make a variety of foods, including tortillas, tamales, and pozole. The Aztecs also grew corn, and they used it to make a fermented drink called pulque.



### **The Spread of Corn**

Corn was introduced to Europe by Christopher Columbus in 1492, and it quickly became a popular crop there. Corn was also introduced to Africa

and Asia, and it eventually became a staple crop in many parts of the world. Today, corn is grown in over 100 countries, and it is one of the world's most important cereal grains.

Corn is used to make a variety of foods, including cornmeal, corn flour, and corn syrup. Corn is also used to make animal feed, and it is a major source of biofuel. Corn is a versatile crop that can be used for a variety of purposes, and it is an essential part of the global food system.

### **The Importance of Corn**

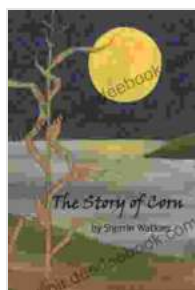
Corn is a major source of food and energy for people around the world. It is a nutritious grain that is rich in carbohydrates, protein, and fiber. Corn is also a good source of vitamins and minerals, including vitamin A, vitamin C, and iron. Corn is an important part of the diet of many people, and it helps to provide food security for millions of people around the world.

In addition to its nutritional value, corn is also a valuable source of energy. Corn can be used to produce ethanol, which is a renewable fuel that can be used to power cars and other vehicles. Corn is also a major source of biomass, which can be used to generate electricity.

### **The Future of Corn**

Corn is a resilient crop that is well-adapted to a variety of climates. Corn is also a relatively low-maintenance crop, which makes it a good choice for farmers. As the world's population continues to grow, corn will become increasingly important as a source of food and energy. Corn is a sustainable crop that can help to meet the needs of a growing population.

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