

Finn's Global Trading Adventure

Learning objective: To understand the concept of international trade, including imports, exports, and why countries trade goods and services.

Finn the dolphin is mapping out the journey of goods around the world. Look at the items below and sort them into two categories: 'Exports' (things the UK sells to other countries) and 'Imports' (things the UK buys from other countries). Then, use the word bank to fill in the blanks to explain why trade is important.

Word bank: import · export · resources · global · specialised

1. Sort these items: Cars manufactured in Sunderland, Bananas grown in tropical climates, Scottish salmon, Coffee beans from South America. Which are UK Exports and which are UK Imports? (4 marks)

2. Fill in the blank: When the UK sends goods to another country to be sold, it is called an _____. (1 mark)

3. Fill in the blank: When the UK buys products like chocolate or fruit from abroad, it is called an _____. (1 mark)

4. Why can't the UK produce every single item its citizens need? Use the word 'resources' in your answer. (2 marks)

5. If a country has a very warm climate, why might it be a 'specialised' producer of tropical fruits compared to the UK? (2 marks)

Draw: Draw a map of the world and sketch a small ship carrying a crate from one country to the UK. Label the crate with a product that the UK usually has to import.



Extension challenge: Research one item in your pencil case. Find out which country it was manufactured in. Explain why you think that country is good at making that specific product.