

Comprehension

The History of Chocolate

One of the most popular foods of all time is chocolate. People nowadays eat chocolate in many different forms. We eat chocolate candy, and we drink hot and cold chocolate drinks. The chocolate we eat today is made from a lot of different ingredients, but the most important ingredient is cacao bean.

The story of cacao bean and its long journey to stores and supermarkets all over the world started hundreds of years ago in Mexico. Cacao trees need hot and humid weather, and they originally grew in the Yucatan Peninsula.

The Maya were the first people to eat cacao beans. They picked cacao beans from wild trees and cleared land to cultivate their own trees. They made a drink from cacao beans and exchanged the beans for other goods. They also used cacao beans for religious ceremonies.

Mayan merchants traveled north and introduced cacao beans to the Aztec people. Soon the cacao bean was part of the Aztecs' lives. They used it as a drink, as part of religious ceremonies and even as money. With 10 beans, you could buy a rabbit. With 100 beans, you could buy a slave.

The Aztecs could not grow cacao trees because of the dry climate. When the Aztecs conquered the Maya, they asked for cacao beans as a tribute.

Answer the questions.

1. Where does chocolate come from? a. Maya b. Mexico c. Aztec
2. What is the most important ingredient in chocolate?
a. sugar b. milk c. cacao
3. Where did cacao beans originally grow?
a. Yucatan Peninsula b. the Aztec empire c. Egypt

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4. Who were the first people to eat cacao beans?
- a. Yuca People b. Maya people c. Aztec people
5. Who introduced the cacao beans to the Aztecs?
- a. American merchants b. Mayan merchants c. Aztec merchants
6. What did the Aztecs use the cacao beans for?
- a. as drinks, for ceremonies and as money b. as tribute c. for firewood
7. What did the Maya give the Aztecs as a tribute? _____

Select True or False

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| 8. Cacao beans were used for buying slaves . | TRUE | FALSE |
| 9. The cacao trees grow in Europe. | TRUE | FALSE |
| 10. The Maya made bread from cacao beans | TRUE | FALSE |

Vocabulary

What kind of things are they? Write words.

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| 11. Breakfast and dinner aremeals... | 16. A cousin and an uncle are r..... . |
| 12. Finland and Ghana are c..... . | 17. Peas and potatoes are v..... . |
| 13. A chair and a wardrobe are f..... . | 18. Brown and pink are c..... . |
| 14. A violin and a flute are m.....
i..... . | 19. The Thames and the Nile are r..... . |
| 15. A jacket and a shirt are c..... . | 20. A cat and a hamster are p..... |

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Grammar

How many mistakes (spelling, punctuation and capitalization) can you find? Read the facts about giraffes below and rewrite each paragraph correctly in the spaces.

The giraafe is the talest animal in the World. it has longg legs and a very long nek. a giraffe can reech higher into the trees then any other animel. Giraffes live in graslands and woodlands.

both mail and female giraffes are born with horns on the top of there heads. female giraffes usualy have one baby A baby giraffe is called a carf.

Choose the correct dialogue punctuation.

37. My brother said that he wants to take the day off. I replied that he should tell his boss.

A. "My brother said" that he wants to take the day off. "I replied" that he should tell his boss.

B. "I want to take the day off," my brother said. He looked very serious. "You should tell your boss," I replied.

C. My brother said. 'He wants to take the day off.' He looked very serious.

'You should tell your boss.' I replied.

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38. I yelled at my dog to stop. A man somehow caught my dog's leash. He told me my dog was very fast.

A. "Stop!" I yelled at my dog. However, he was already far away from me.

A man near the street somehow grabbed my dog's leash. "Your dog is really fast!" He said.

B. "Stop!" I yelled at my dog. However, he was already far away from me.

A man near the street somehow grabbed my dog's leash. "Your dog is really fast," he said.

C. "Stop," I yelled at my dog! However, he was already far away from me.

A man near the street somehow caught my dog's leash. "Your dog is really fast" ! He said.

Make abstract nouns using suffixes given. (some spellings may have to change)

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39. kind _____ 41. wise _____ 43. free _____ 45. popular _____

40. secure _____ 42. assure _____ 44. attentive _____ 46. excite _____

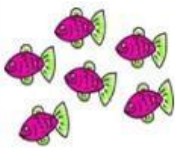
A. Match the picture with a collective noun. Choose your answer from the collective nouns at the bottom.



A _____ of birds



A _____ of flowers



A _____ of fish



A _____ of tools

bouquet

school

flock

set

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Spelling

Spell the words your teacher says

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| 1. _____ | 5. _____ | 9. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 6. _____ | 10. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 7. _____ | |
| 4. _____ | 8. _____ | |

In the box below there are ten palindromes. Use the correct one to fill in each gap.

racecar

sexes

refer

level

madam

kayak

Hannah

solos

radar

Pop

1. The _____ in the music compositions were very good.
2. This _____ is too high for me.
3. Hi!. My name is _____. Nice to meet you
4. Fred went down the stream in a _____.
5. Billy wants to drive a _____ because he likes speed.
6. Hey look! They're selling _____ over there!.
7. He's off the _____ for a while.
8. You can call me _____ Betty.
9. All _____ can apply for the job.
10. To who do you _____ to?

GOOD LUCK!