

Rice

Did you know that for half the people in the world, rice is (1) most important food? Most of these people live in Asia (2) a person might eat 90 to 180 kilograms of rice in one year!

But where did rice come from? Indian people (3) growing rice 5,000 years ago, but we think that people first grew rice in China. The first Europeans that grew rice lived in Spain. American settlers (4) growing rice about 400 years ago.

(5) are thousands of different kinds of rice. Wild rice grows in lakes in Canada and you can sometimes find 'hill rice' growing like grass in dry fields. (6) most rice grows in about 15 centimetres of water in special flat fields called 'paddies'.

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