Questions 1–4

Complete the notes below.

*Choose **ONE WORD ONLY** from the passage for each answer.*

Write your answers in boxes 1–4 on your answer sheet.

The nutmeg tree and fruit

- the leaves of the tree are **1** ..... in shape
- the **2** ..... surrounds the fruit and breaks open when the fruit is ripe
- the **3** ..... is used to produce the spice nutmeg
- the covering known as the aril is used to produce **4** .....
- the tree has yellow flowers and fruit

Questions 5–7

Do the following statements agree with the information given in Reading Passage 1?

In boxes 5–7 on your answer sheet, write

TRUE	*if the statement agrees with the information*
FALSE	*if the statement contradicts the information*
NOT GIVEN	*if there is no information on this*

5 In the Middle Ages, most Europeans knew where nutmeg was grown.

6 The VOC was the world's first major trading company.

7 Following the Treaty of Breda, the Dutch had control of all the islands where nutmeg grew.

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Questions 8–13

Complete the table below.

*Choose **ONE WORD ONLY** from the passage for each answer.*

Write your answers in boxes 8–13 on your answer sheet.

Middle Ages	Nutmeg was brought to Europe by the **8** .....
16th century	European nations took control of the nutmeg trade
17th century	Demand for nutmeg grew, as it was believed to be effective against the disease known as the **9** ..... The Dutch – took control of the Banda Islands – restricted nutmeg production to a few areas – put **10** ..... on nutmeg to avoid it being cultivated outside the islands – finally obtained the island of **11** ..... from the British
Late 18th century	1770 – nutmeg plants were secretly taken to **12** ..... 1778 – half the Banda Islands' nutmeg plantations were destroyed by a **13** .....

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