



Why is Fairtrade fair?

Year 5

Unit 2

Key Knowledge

Trade had been happening across the world for thousands of years and countries trade all sorts of different products and skills. Trade can also lead to the development of knowledge and understanding.

The UK imports more commodities from China than any other country in the world. We also export products to China.

Fairtrade is trade between companies in developed countries and producers in developing countries in which fair prices are paid to the producers. You can find Fairtrade products in British supermarkets.

Common Fairtrade products include: bananas, chocolate, cocoa, sugar, tea, gold, materials and rice. Sometimes, these Fairtrade products can be slightly more expensive than non Fairtrade products to ensure that the farmer re-

Key Vocabulary and Phrases

consumer	The person who purchases the material or item.
producer	The person who makes or provides the material or item.
import	bring (goods or services) into a country from abroad for sale.
export	send (goods or services) to another country for sale.
commodity	a raw material or primary agricultural product that can be bought and sold, such as copper or coffee.
trade	To buy and sell goods and services.



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