

Fairtrade Banana Quiz

This quiz is a fun way to get the class to think about the journey their food makes to get to their fruit bowl and to understand the benefits of Fairtrade. The questions relate to *The All Good Banana Story* video in your pack.

Before the video...

Ask the class a couple of simple questions about bananas before you play *The All Good Bananas Story* video to get them thinking about where their bananas come from. Write down their responses so you can look back at them after the video has played.

- What is your favourite fruit?
- Do you have a banana in your lunch box today?
- Where do you think bananas come from?

Play the video...

- It is good to play part 1 and part 2 separately. You could break it up with the questions in between.

Banana trivia...

- You can either do the quiz as a class or print off the multi-choice question sheet and get the kids to answer them independently.
- To make it a fun challenge, you could break the class into 4-5 quiz teams (get them to think of creative names for their team in banana theme).
- Test the groups with the banana trivia-like a real quiz! The groups need to discuss the questions as a group before answering. Award points for each question. Bonus points for special answers!
- The answers contain a whole load of extra information that you can share with the class to get them thinking about where their bananas come from!



Turn the page for your banana trivia!

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Part 1: The All Good Banana Story

1. How many bananas do New Zealanders eat each year?

- A. Over 400million bananas
- B. Over 40 bananas
- C. Over 4000 bananas

2. What climate do bananas need to grow?

- A. Rain & cold
- B. Hot climate, sunshine all year round.
- C. Snow

3. Name a country where bananas come from?

- A. Ecuador or Philippines
- B. Antarctica
- C. Iceland

4. What's not a very nice way to serve bananas?

- A. Cake
- B. Smoothies
- C. Muffins
- D. Squashed in your school bag!

5. What is a banana farm called in Ecuador?

- A. Farma
- B. Finca
- C. Hola!

6. How long does it take for bananas to travel from Ecuador to New Zealand?

- A. 3 Weeks
- B. 3 Months
- C. 3 Years

7. How do the bananas get to NZ?

- A. A plane
- B. A spaceship
- C. In a BIG ship by sea

8. What went missing when the All Good Gorilla visited Ecuador?

- A. Bananas
- B. Bananareos
- C. Bicycles

Part 2: The Fairtrade Difference

9. How many farmers are in the El Guabo Fairtrade cooperative?

- A. 430 farmers
- B. 43 farmers
- C. 4300 farmers

10. How long has Anibal been part of the Fairtrade cooperative?

- A. Since he was 6 years old
- B. Only 1 year
- C. Nearly 10 years

11. What is one of the benefits of being part of the Fairtrade cooperative for Anibal? (clue: there may be more than one correct answer)

- A. Selling more bananas
- B. Noemi can go to University.
- C. Other farmers in the cooperative help him out on his farm.
- D. He's paid a fair price for his bananas.

12. How do you recognise a product that is Fairtrade?

- A. It looks better
- B. The fairtrade mark (green & blue logo)
- C. Taste yummy

13. What ISN'T one of the Fairtrade rules?

- A. Fair price
- B. No kids can work on the farms
- C. Safe & fair working conditions
- D. Care for the environment
- E. Fairtrade premium for community investment
- F. No gorillas are allowed visit the farms

14. What's stinky, but helps bananas grow big & strong?

- A. Rotten eggs
- B. Old shoes
- C. Manure & organic fertiliser

15. What DON'T the people in the El Guabo cooperative spend the Fairtrade premium on?

- A. Schools & teachers
- B. Books and stationery
- C. Health clinics
- D. A special needs school
- E. Ice cream



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Answers!

1. Answer A. Kiwis eat over 400million bananas every year.

New Zealand is the biggest banana eating country in the world (per head of population)!

2. Answer B. Bananas need a hot climate all year round to grow big and strong.

That's why they grow so well in countries like Ecuador, the Philippines and the Pacific Islands that are Hot Hot Hot! They don't grow in New Zealand on large scale because we have cold winters.

3. Answer A. Ecuador or the Philippines.

All Good Bananas are grown in Ecuador. But in New Zealand you can also buy bananas that are grown in the Philippines. Bananas also grow in other parts of the world. Most bananas grow in South and Central, South-East Asia. Closer to home they grow bananas in Australia & the Pacific Islands too.

4. Answer D. Squashed Bananas. Ew!

No one likes squashed bananas in their school bag. But bananas can be used as an ingredient in so many yummy things. They are mainly used in sweet baking, like banana cake, banana bread, pancakes, muffins & dipped in chocolate. You can also make them into smoothies or just enjoy them on their own or freeze them on a stick for an all natural banana iceblock.

5. Answer B. Finca

The farmers in El Guabo call their farms 'fincas'. This is the Spanish word for farm.

6. Answer A. 3 Weeks.

It takes 3 whole weeks for the bananas to travel from Ecuador to New Zealand. They must travel right across the Pacific Ocean. They also stop in Panama on the way. The journey is a total of 12,628km.

7. Answer C. In a BIG cargo ship.

The bananas are housed in a big container on the ship at just the right temperature to keep them nice & fresh.

8. Answer A. Bananas!

The All Good gorilla LOVES bananas! He managed to steal quite a few on his trip to Ecuador.

9. Answer A. 430 farmers.

430 small family farmers are part of the El Guabo Fairtrade cooperative. They mainly have small family owned farms that have been in their family for generations. For many of them, the whole family live and work on the 'finca'.

10. Answer C. Nearly 10 years.

Anibal has been part of the El Guabo Fairtrade cooperative since 2003.

11. Answer A, B, C & D! All of the above.

These are all some of the benefits that Anibal has seen since he joined the All Good Fairtrade cooperative. (Check out Anibal's profile as part of this school pack to read more about his life, farm and family).

12. Answer B. The Fairtrade mark.

Remember to look out for the Fairtrade logo to spot a Fairtrade product. Remember the little blue & green man!



13. Answer F. No gorillas are allowed visit the farms

Of course gorillas can visit the farms to see how bananas are grown. You could too in you went to Ecuador! Anyone is welcome to visit the Fairtrade farmers if they go to Ecuador, to see the difference Fairtrade makes. If you did visit, you would see that the Fairtrade rules are very strict and ensure farmers are paid a fair price; absolutely no children can work on the farms; the workers have safe and fair working conditions; the farmers must care for the environment; and the farmers receive a Fairtrade premium that can be invested back into community projects such as schools and health centres.



14. Answer C. Manure!

Fairtrade farmers use natural farming methods where possible to help the bananas grow big and strong and protect the environment. This means lots of stinky manure and organic fertiliser!

15. Answer E. Ice Cream!

The farmers spend the Fairtrade premium on projects that benefit their local community (not ice cream)! They all meet and decide what the best use of the money is. When you buy All Good Bananas, around 7 to 10 cents from every bunch sold is sent back to the farmers for the Fairtrade premium. This is in addition to the fair price paid to farmers for each box. Thanks to you, this money helps support schools, teachers, health centres & lots more!