

Work Meets Needs

Read how jobs help a mountain town meet basic needs.

3.9b "People in communities have various ways of meeting their basic needs and earning a living."

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DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each way people get food, clothing, or shelter. Circle each job that helps people earn money or meet a basic need.

Life in Chinchero

- ① In Chinchero, a mountain town in Peru, families meet basic needs in several ways. Farmers grow potatoes, corn, and other foods in small fields. Families cook these foods at home or buy them at a market. Some families keep sheep. Sheep give wool, which people use to make warm clothing for cool mountain days and cold nights.
- ② Many people earn money by doing work that helps the town. Farmers sell extra food at the market. People who spin and weave wool make hats, scarves, and blankets to sell. Builders make and repair homes. Shop owners sell food, clothing, and supplies. These jobs help families pay for things they need.
- ③ Work can change over time. In the 1970s, a group of women in Chinchero began meeting to spin and weave. They worked to preserve traditional designs and sell their textiles to visitors. Today, the Center for Traditional Textiles of Cusco supports weavers in Chinchero and other communities. Selling woven goods can help people earn money while keeping skills alive. People still need food, clothing, and shelter, and different jobs help families meet these needs.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 How do families in Chinchero get food? Give two ways from the passage.

2 What basic need does wool help people meet? Explain how.

3 Choose one job from the passage. What does that worker make, sell, or do?

4 How did the women use traditional weaving skills to earn money?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Choose your community or another community you know. Write 3 sentences that tell how people get food, clothing, and shelter. Name two jobs and explain how each job helps meet a basic need.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each way people get food, clothing, or shelter. Circle each job that helps people earn money or meet a basic need. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	How do families in Chinchero get food? Give two ways from the passage.	They grow food in small fields and buy food at a market.
2	What basic need does wool help people meet? Explain how.	Wool helps meet the need for clothing because people use it to make warm clothing such as hats and scarves.
3	Choose one job from the passage. What does that worker make, sell, or do?	Answers may include: A farmer sells extra food. A wool worker makes hats, scarves, and blankets. A builder makes or repairs homes. A shop owner sells food, clothing, and supplies.
4	How did the women use traditional weaving skills to earn money?	They worked to preserve traditional designs and sold their textiles to visitors.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

In my community, grocery workers sell food so families can eat. Clothing store workers sell shirts and coats, and builders make homes where families can live. These jobs help people get food, clothing, and shelter.

Accept equivalent answers that match information in the passage. For Your Turn, accept realistic community examples that name two jobs and correctly connect jobs to food, clothing, shelter, or earning money.