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Sort jobs by what they do with resources.

7.C.7 "Examine and compare economic systems as means by which governments organize and distribute available resources, services, and goods. Explain how people organize economic systems to address basic economic questions regarding which goods and..."

NAME _____ DATE _____

PRIMARY SECTOR

Primary-sector jobs gather natural products or grow and harvest them.

A beekeeper collects honey from hives.

SECONDARY SECTOR

Secondary-sector jobs turn raw materials into goods or construct structures.

A team assembles wind turbines.

1 SORT

8 items

Circle PRIMARY or SECONDARY for each activity, then choose two items and explain how you knew where they belong.

1. Miners extract copper ore. PRIMARY SECONDARY
2. A factory turns clay into bricks. PRIMARY SECONDARY
3. Builders construct a bridge. PRIMARY SECONDARY
4. Fishers catch tuna. PRIMARY SECONDARY
5. Farmers harvest wheat. PRIMARY SECONDARY
6. A factory makes glass bottles. PRIMARY SECONDARY
7. Loggers cut pine trees. PRIMARY SECONDARY
8. Drillers extract crude oil. PRIMARY SECONDARY

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new primary-sector activity and one new secondary-sector activity that are not listed above.

PRIMARY _____

SECONDARY _____

CHALLENGE

In two sentences, show how one natural resource moves from a primary-sector activity to a secondary-sector activity, and name each sector.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	Miners extract copper ore.	**PRIMARY**	Mining takes a natural resource from the ground.
2	A factory turns clay into bricks.	**SECONDARY**	Manufacturing changes clay into a product.
3	Builders construct a bridge.	**SECONDARY**	Construction creates a structure.
4	Fishers catch tuna.	**PRIMARY**	Fishing gathers a natural product.
5	Farmers harvest wheat.	**PRIMARY**	Harvesting gathers a crop.
6	A factory makes glass bottles.	**SECONDARY**	Manufacturing produces goods.
7	Loggers cut pine trees.	**PRIMARY**	Logging harvests a natural product.
8	Drillers extract crude oil.	**PRIMARY**	Drilling takes a natural resource from the ground.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **PRIMARY**: A farmer picks apples from an orchard.
- **SECONDARY**: A factory turns wool into blankets.

Challenge: Workers harvest cotton in the primary sector. A factory turns that cotton into shirts in the secondary sector.

For Part 2, accept explanations that identify gathering a natural product, manufacturing a good, or constructing a structure. For the challenge, both sentences must use the same resource and name the correct sector.