

Virginia at Work

Trace the products, services, and industries that support Virginia.

VS.13.a "examining major products and industries important to Virginia; and"

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DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each product or service Virginia provides. Circle each industry or business activity that produces products or provides services.

Products and Industries in Virginia

- ① Virginia's agriculture industry produces major products such as poultry, cattle, dairy foods, soybeans, and apples. Poultry is especially important in the Shenandoah Valley. Chickens are raised for meat and eggs, and turkeys are raised for meat. Farmers also grow grapes, peanuts, tobacco, and vegetables. These products are sold to families, stores, restaurants, and companies that turn farm goods into other foods.
- ② Forests cover much of Virginia. The forestry industry harvests trees carefully and uses wood to make lumber, paper, furniture, and other products. In some southwestern counties, coal mining has been important. Coal is used to produce electricity and in some factories. These industries provide jobs, but workers and companies must protect land, water, and forests as they use natural resources.
- ③ Virginia also has industries that make things and offer services. The manufacturing industry produces items such as ships, food products, and medicines. The technology industry includes people who create computer programs, manage data, and protect computer networks. Tourism brings visitors to beaches, historic places, parks, and music events. Visitors spend money on hotels, meals, and activities, supporting many Virginia jobs.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Which industry uses wood, and name two products it makes from wood.

2 What natural resource does coal mining use? Give one use for that resource.

3 Name one item made by the manufacturing industry and one task done by technology workers.

4 How does tourism support jobs in Virginia?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Make a three-row industry snapshot. Choose three different Virginia industries from the reading, then name a product or service and a job connection for each one.

INDUSTRY	PRODUCT OR SERVICE	JOB CONNECTION

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each product or service Virginia provides. Circle each industry or business activity that produces products or provides services. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which industry uses wood, and name two products it makes from wood.	The forestry industry uses wood. It makes lumber, paper, furniture, and other products.
2	What natural resource does coal mining use? Give one use for that resource.	Coal mining uses coal. Coal is used to produce electricity and in some factories.
3	Name one item made by the manufacturing industry and one task done by technology workers.	Manufacturing makes ships, food products, or medicines. Technology workers create computer programs, manage data, or protect computer networks.
4	How does tourism support jobs in Virginia?	Visitors spend money on hotels, meals, and activities. This spending supports many Virginia jobs.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

INDUSTRY	PRODUCT OR SERVICE	JOB CONNECTION
Agriculture	Poultry and apples	Farm workers and food-processing workers can have jobs.
Forestry	Lumber and paper	Loggers and paper-mill workers can have jobs.
Technology	Computer programs	Programmers and network-security workers can have jobs.

Accept any products, services, industries, and job connections supported by the passage. For the table, accept three different industries from the reading with accurate matching products or services and reasonable related jobs.