

Trade Travel

Sort goods and services by the direction they move.

WG.3.d "explaining important economic characteristics, including the distribution of economic activities and global trade."

NAME _____

DATE _____

EXPORTS

Exports are goods or services a country sells to another country. They move out of the selling country.

Argentina sends soybeans to Nigeria.

IMPORTS

Imports are goods or services a country buys from another country. They move into the buying country.

Norway buys bicycles made in Taiwan.

1 SORT _____ 8 items

For each item, circle EXPORTS or IMPORTS, then choose two items and explain which words show how the trade moves.

1. Peru sells avocados to South Korea.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

2. South Korea buys oil from Saudi Arabia.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

3. Germany purchases tea from Sri Lanka.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

4. Canada sends lumber to China.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

5. Morocco sells phosphates to Spain.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

6. Thailand ships rice to Egypt.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

7. Egypt buys medicine from Switzerland.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

8. Switzerland purchases rubber from Malaysia.

EXPORTS

IMPORTS

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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 _____

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MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new example of an export and one new example of an import.

EXPORTS _____

IMPORTS _____

CHALLENGE

Write a trade example, then explain how the same product can be an export for one country and an import for another country.

PART 1 • SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	Peru sells avocados to South Korea.	EXPORTS	Peru is selling goods to another country.
2	South Korea buys oil from Saudi Arabia.	IMPORTS	South Korea is buying goods from another country.
3	Germany purchases tea from Sri Lanka.	IMPORTS	Germany is bringing tea in from another country.
4	Canada sends lumber to China.	EXPORTS	Canada is sending goods out to a buyer in another country.
5	Morocco sells phosphates to Spain.	EXPORTS	Morocco is selling a resource to another country.
6	Thailand ships rice to Egypt.	EXPORTS	Thailand is sending rice out of the country for trade.
7	Egypt buys medicine from Switzerland.	IMPORTS	Egypt is buying medicine from another country.
8	Switzerland purchases rubber from Malaysia.	IMPORTS	Switzerland is bringing rubber in from another country.

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)

- **EXPORTS:** Turkey sells hazelnuts to Italy.
- **IMPORTS:** Italy buys solar panels from China.

Challenge: When a company in Colombia sells bananas to a buyer in Poland, bananas are an export for Colombia. The same bananas are an import for Poland.

Items 1, 4, 5, and 6 are EXPORTS. Items 2, 3, 7, and 8 are IMPORTS. For Part 2, accept explanations that identify the selling country as exporting or the buying country as importing.