Trade Trail Tracker

Follow goods and services across borders.

WG.9.d "explaining important economic characteristics, including the distribution of economic activities and global trade."

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EXPORTS

Exports are goods or services a country sells to another country. They leave the selling country.

Chile sells cherries to South Korea. For Chile, cherries are exports.

IMPORTS

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

Kenya buys wind turbines from Denmark. For Kenya, wind turbines are imports.

1 SORT

8 items

Circle EXPORTS or IMPORTS for each trade statement, then, for Part 2, choose two items and write one sentence for each explaining how the direction of trade helped you decide.

1.	Brazil ships coffee beans to Canada.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
2.	Vietnam ships footwear to Australia.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
3.	Japan purchases soybeans from the United States.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
4.	Norway ships salmon to France.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
5.	South Korea purchases crude oil from Saudi Arabia.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
6.	Mexico purchases medical equipment from Germany.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
7.	India provides computer programming services to the United Kingdom.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS
8.	Peru ships copper to China.	EXPORTS	IMPORTS

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** ______________________________

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3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new trade example for EXPORTS and one new trade example for IMPORTS. Name the country, the good or service, and where it goes or comes from.

EXPORTS ______________________________

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IMPORTS ______________________________

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CHALLENGE

Choose one sort item and write two sentences that explain the trade from both countries' points of view, naming the export for one country and the import for the other.

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	Brazil ships coffee beans to Canada.	**EXPORTS**	Coffee beans leave Brazil, so they are an export for Brazil.
2	Vietnam ships footwear to Australia.	**EXPORTS**	Footwear leaves Vietnam, so it is an export for Vietnam.
3	Japan purchases soybeans from the United States.	**IMPORTS**	Soybeans enter Japan, so they are an import for Japan.
4	Norway ships salmon to France.	**EXPORTS**	Salmon leaves Norway, so it is an export for Norway.
5	South Korea purchases crude oil from Saudi Arabia.	**IMPORTS**	Crude oil enters South Korea, so it is an import for South Korea.
6	Mexico purchases medical equipment from Germany.	**IMPORTS**	Medical equipment enters Mexico, so it is an import for Mexico.
7	India provides computer programming services to the United Kingdom.	**EXPORTS**	The service is sold by India to another country, so it is an export for India.
8	Peru ships copper to China.	**EXPORTS**	Copper leaves Peru, so it is an export for Peru.

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**: Colombia sells coffee to the United States.
- **IMPORTS**: Canada buys bananas from Ecuador.

Challenge: For Brazil, coffee beans are exports because they leave Brazil. For Canada, coffee beans are imports because they enter Canada.

For Part 2, students should identify whether the good or service leaves or enters the named country. Accept valid Part 3 examples when the trade direction and country perspective are clear.