



Lesson Three: Geography and Wholesale Goods

The picture below shows goods typically found in a general store and where they came from. You may need a world map to help you.



1. Looking at the picture, identify where each item comes from and write it in the correct table below. Some items may come from more than one place.
 - a. Cocoa
 - b. Alum
 - c. China Ware
 - d. Stoneware
 - e. Box of Finest Silks
 - f. Cinnamon
 - g. Superfine Woolen Cloths
 - h. Tea

North America	South America	Asia	Europe
stoneware	cocoa	China Ware Box of Finest Silks Cinnamon Tea	Alum China Ware Box of Finest Silks Superfine Woolen Cloths

2. Where do Cloves and Nutmeg come from?

Spice Islands

3. What are some items that come from the West Indies?

Coffee, Pepper, Ginger, Sugar, Molasses, Oranges, Lemons

4. Do you think the items shown in the picture would cost more or less than items bartered locally? Why?

Various answers but students should explain that items in the picture would cost more because of the shipping and distance they had to travel to get to the store. Local items should be cheaper because they are more plentiful and have no shipping costs

5. Does it surprise you that these items could be found in a general store in the mid-1800s? Explain your answer.

Various answers

6. Think about the foods you like to eat. Pick one food and explain where you think it comes from today.

Various answers—help students think through what is in a product and where those items are grown or made