



Geography- Trade Routes

What do you think the word **trading** means in the context of a country?

Trade – Buying and selling goods and services.



Import – Goods or services purchased from one country and brought into the UK.



Export – Goods or services made in the UK and sold to another country.



*Task 1 Research which items you think are **exported** from the UK. Which are **imported** to the UK? Which are both imported and exported?*

Put a tick in the correct column.

You can copy the table out into your exercise books.

L.O: Traded items.

Traded item	Imported	Exported	Both
Coffee beans			
Medicines			
Aircraft parts			
Scrap iron			
Bananas			
Whisky			
Cars			
Oil and gas			
Computers			
Tartan kilts			

Task 2: Read the following passage about trade then answer the questions in your exercise books.

Export and import

People in the UK can **sell** things they make when people in other countries want them. This might be because they can't make them themselves or because they are cheaper or better quality.

Sending **goods** like this to other countries is called **export**.

There are also things, such as bananas or oranges, that are hard to grow in the UK and we have to **buy** these things from abroad.

This is called **import**.

Sometimes countries need experts from abroad such as engineers, scientists or teachers. These experts can sell their **services** to people around the world and this is called a **service industry**.

The service industry is the UK's main industry today and we import more goods than we export.

- Q1. What is it called when we sell things to other countries?
- Q2. What is it called when we buy things from other countries?
- Q3. What word do we use to describe both import and export?
- Q4. What type of industry provides a person's skill to help others?
- Q5. What reason might someone import goods from another country?