

A long way from home

Time

15 minutes

Objectives

- To get a better understanding of where the raw materials for the products we consume daily come from.

Materials

- Card game (a variation of 'Happy Families'). Trade cards to print and cut out can be found in a separate PDF document. Laminate them for longer use!

Content

- 8 products. Each product forms a quartet with 4 different (Southern) countries (NB these are **not** the only countries that produce these raw materials).
- The game is played with a pack of 32 cards depicting the 8 different products and key countries of origin. All 4 players receive 6 cards; the remaining cards are placed in a stack (faced down) in the middle.

Object of the Game

- The object of the game is to collect the most sets of product cards.

How to Play

- This game is for four players.
- The dealer shuffles the cards and deals so that every player receives six cards. The remaining cards (8) are placed in a stack in the centre of the table.
- The player to the dealer's left begins.
- The player asks another player for a particular product card (e.g. coffee) - but the asker must already hold at least one of the (coffee) product cards.
- If the player asked has a (coffee) card then he/she must hand over that card and the player who asked gets a chance to ask another player.
- If the player asked does not have a particular (coffee) product card then they answer 'No' and the turn passes to them. The previous asker takes a card from the stack in the centre of the table.
- When a player has a complete product set he/she must place these sets face up in front for other players to see.
- The winner is the player with the most complete product sets.

See lesson plan 'The World in my Shopping Bag' for an excellent activity to introduce this game. Make sure your pupils are familiar with the concept of a world map.