Tea

Quotations

"It's quite amazing to me, as I walk around a supermarket or a health food shop, to observe the number of Fairtrade choices: not just staples such as coffee, tea, fresh fruits and rice, but cocoa and chocolate, herbs and spices, honey, ice cream, and jams."

- Sheherazade Goldsmith

"Love and scandal are the best sweeteners of tea."

- Henry Fielding

Questions

• When you say the word 'tea', what eight things do you think of?
• What is the history of tea? Which is your favourite? Why?
• What tea brands do you know? Which is the most traditional?
• What are the known healthy benefits of tea? Do you believe the claims?
• How is tea harvested? What are the conditions of the workers who commit to this work? Could you become a tea picker?
• Do you buy 'Fair Trade' tea because it pays the plantation more than other types of tea purchasing?
• How many varieties of tea do you know? Which are the most popular in your country?
• Is tea a drink for all seasons? Why or why not?
• Should tea be untaxed as it’s healthier than fizzy drinks and alcoholic drinks so therefore better for you?
• Have you ever been to a tea room?
• What is commonly eaten with tea? What culture surrounds the consumption and perception of tea?
• What do you think will happen to tea in the future?

Presentation

Create a presentation on your favourite type of tea and how it is prepared. Focus on the process and the origin of the tea. How does it differ from other countries?