

STRUBENVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL SOCIALSCIENCES

GRADE 4 - TERM 3/2020

INSTRUCTIONS:

- USE YOUR GEOGRAPHY WORK BOOK.
- DO YOUR TERM 3 COVER
- WORK NEATLY.
- USE A BLUE PEN.
- NO CUTTING AND PASTING EXCEPT FOR DIAGRAMS
- DO NOT RUSH THROUGH THE WORK, DO 1 ACTIVITY A DAY
- WRITE THE HEADING ACCORDINGLY. E.G.

<u>WEEK 1</u> <u>MAP SKILLS</u>

DAY 1

HEADING

<u>WEEK 16</u>

FOOD AND FARMING IN SOUTH AFRICA

<u>DAY 1</u>

Growing food in towns

In the past, the farms were in the country side, away from towns and cities. There was more open ground in the country side. Neighbours lived far away and did not notice the noise and smell of the farm. The farm products were brought to the city and sold to the people who lived there.

In today's world, things are changing fast. More and more people are moving into towns and cities. The farmers outside the cities cannot produce enough food for all these people. So more and more people in towns and cities have to grow plants for food.

People grow plants for food in backyards, on roof tops, in old car tyres and in used tin cans. People also grow plants for food on school grounds, hospital grounds and prison grounds.

DAY 2

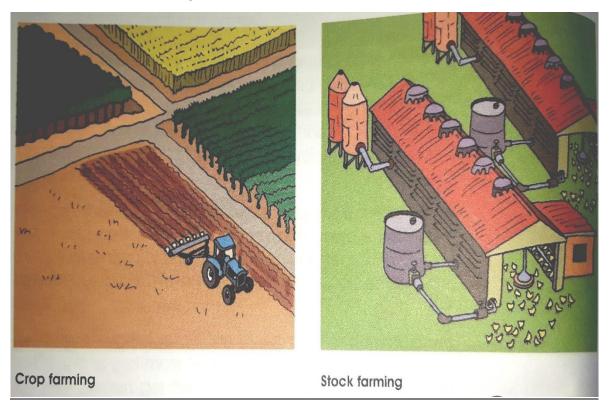
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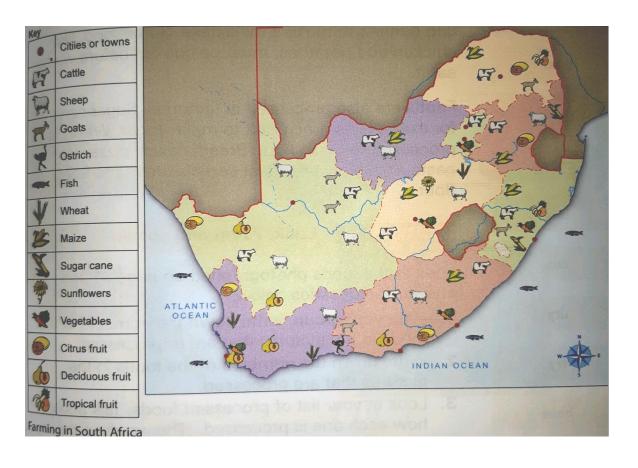
Growing food in towns

- 1. Do you grow food at home or on your school ground? Yes/No.
- 2. If yes, name four things that you grow? If no, what could you grow?

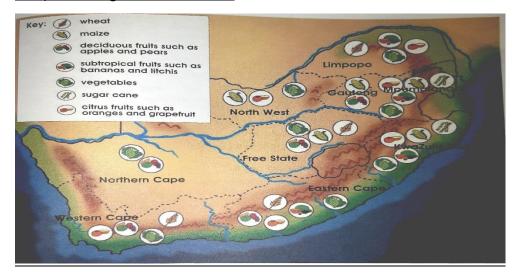
DAY 3

Crop and Stock farming





Crop farming in South Africa



Some plants are grown to produce food. The produce is called <u>crops</u>. Three important crops grown in South Africa are <u>maize</u>, <u>wheat</u> and <u>sugarcane</u>.

Maize and wheat

Maize and wheat are called <u>cereal crops</u>. We use the seeds or grain from the plants. Wheat grain is made into <u>flour</u>, which is used to make bread. Maize seed is used to make <u>mealie meal</u>. Most people in South Africa eat bread and mealie meal.

Maize grows best in places with <u>hot, wet summers</u> and <u>cold dry winters</u>. It is grown in the <u>Eastern half</u> of South Africa where the climate is like this. <u>Wheat</u> grows best in the <u>Western Cape</u>, where there are <u>hot, dry summers</u> and <u>cool, wet winters</u>. Wheat is harvested in <u>summer</u>.

DAY 4

Sugar cane

Sugar cane is used to make <u>sugar</u>. The stalks (or canes) of the plant are cut off and trucks take them to sugar mills. At the mills the canes are crushed and the syrup inside is made into sugar. Sugar cane will only grow in a <u>hot</u>, <u>wet climate</u>. The best areas in South Africa are the Eastern parts of <u>Kwa Zulu Natal</u> and <u>Mpumalanga</u>.

The <u>Free States</u> has fields of <u>Sunflowers</u>. The seeds from the flower are used to make <u>cooking oil</u>.

DAY 5

Fruit farming in South Africa

South Africa has many climates, which means farmers grow various types of fruits in different parts of South Africa.

- <u>Tropical fruits</u>: grow in hot, wet places. Mangoes, bananas, pineapples and avocado pears are tropical fruits.
- <u>Deciduous fruits</u>: grow well in places where there are cold winters and dry summers. Deciduous fruits loose their leaves in winter. Grapes, apples, peaches and pears are examples of deciduous fruits.
- <u>Citrus fruits</u>: becomes ripe in the cold, winter months. Oranges, lemons and naartjies are citrus fruits.