Activity Two: Interactive California Grown Map Did You Know? Let's Get Ready

You have already learned that California has a lot to offer. So many things are grown and raised in California including fruits, vegetables, meat, poultry, flowers, and wood. California is able to offer so many products because it has different areas (or regions) with different weather patterns (or climates). Take a look at the map you worked with in Activity 1. You can see where different products are grown and the different climates in each region.



You all brought in pictures of California grown products to school today and your teacher has some additional items for you to work with. Take a look at the product you have and decide where in California it belongs. What kind of climate does it come from? Can you find where it belongs on the map? You can look at your map from Activity 1 if you need help.

Get Busy

Now you are going to work with all your classmates and your teacher to fill in a large empty map of California with products you brought in. Use your answers above and place your product in the area on the large map. For example, if someone brought in strawberries, he/she could place it near the San Diego area on the map. When the map is filled in, talk to the person next to you about what you see. Work together to answer the questions below:

What do you see in the coastal regions?

What do you see in the valley region?

What do you see in the mountain region?

What do you see in the desert region?

What region has the most food?

What items are in more than one region?

Keep Going

At home, look at what you eat and think about what region your food is from.

Look at a map of California with your parents and tell them where different products are grown.

While you're in the grocery store look at the products: can you tell by their packaging or labels if they are from California?

Do you think California grown food is healthy?

Related Websites:

www.californiagrown.org www.cfaitc.org www.mypyramid.gov www.visitcalifornia.com

