

## THE SOURCE OF OUR WORDLY GOODS

As we study U.S. History and how it connects to the world you live in, we are looking at the goods we use each day.

In Colonial times, most goods came from the land people lived on, but some of the things they used were *imported*. That means they came from another country. In the time of the first American colonies, there was NO refrigeration. What forms of transportation were used to import goods?

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What types of transportation are used to import goods now?

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We are all beginning to become more aware of where our food, clothing and other supplies come from.

By Monday you have to have a list of 10 (I changed it from 20) foods and where these foods come from and a list of 10 items that are not food and where these items come from. You can look around your house, a store, Driscoll, or at the items belonging to friends and family.

FOOD: If you go to a supermarket, you might want to pick one type of food, like apples, and see how many places they come from. Then you could move to another type of food like meat, or eggs or milk or flour, etc. I suggest you pick a type of food that is not a combination of things. For example, a granola bar has all kinds of food in it, so it's hard to tell where each item comes from. On the other hand, the granola bar might tell you where the factory was that it was made in.

NON-FOOD: Today, during morning meeting, Destinee was our Executive Director, and she had us thinking about our favorite brand or type of shoes. This led to a conversation around where our shoes and clothing come from. We talked about how there have been some factories, like Nike, that chose to build their shoes in other countries because there was no minimum wage there and they could pay the workers a very small amount of money. That is what happened to that boy, Iqbal who worked on rugs. We are going to spend time paying attention to the items you use and where these items come from. Importing and exporting goods is a big deal for people. It is how some of your parents make their living and it is one of the main reasons the American Revolution got started. But more of that later. For now, let's look at the goods you have around you.



# WORLDLY GOODS – NON FOOD

<b>Owner/Object</b>	<b>Country Where Made</b>
Example: <b>Mango (dog)</b> <b>Squeaky Toy</b>	<b>China</b>
Example: <b>Ms. Stark's</b> <b>Cereal Bowl</b>	<b>Japan</b>