

Content for the Cocoa Quiz

Header

Are you a fan of chocolate? Do you prefer white chocolate over dark or will any shade of chocolate meet your requirements? Let's see how much you know about chocolate...

Card 1

Question: Chocolate starts out as a...

- Hard green fruit on a thorny vine
- Liquid found inside the cocoa fruit
- Soft nut on a short prickly bush
- Tiny seed in a purple pod in a tall tree

Fun Fact: Chocolate isn't possible with the cocoa nib found inside the seeds found inside the pods which dangle from the cocoa trees found only in tropical climates. **That little bit of cocoa is the basis of chocolate.**

Image: Cocoa trees with pods hanging

Card 2

Question: Cocoa is

- A small town in Florida
- Commonly combined with vanilla and a sweetener to make a chocolate
- Apple's object-oriented API for OS X
- All of the above

Fun Fact:

Image: Powdered cocoa and liquid chocolate

Card 3

Question:

The scientific (i.e., Latin) name for cocoa—Theobroma—literally means, “food of the gods.” How long have people been enjoying this “food of the gods”?

- Since the height of the Roman empire, about 100 A.D.
- Since Europeans discovered it in South America in 1517.

- Since the middle of the Late Bronze Age, about 2000 B.C.
- Since the Hershey family started making chocolate candy bar

Fun Fact: Historians have evidence to suggest that cocoa beans were considered valuable by the Aztec people of South America, as early as 1900 BC. They used cocoa beans to make chocolate but also as currency; people could pay their taxes in cocoa beans. Evidence shows the Aztecs used a system in which one turkey cost 100 cocoa beans and one fresh avocado was worth three beans.

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