Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Infants Activity Pack

Week 6-Term 1

Chinese Arrival to Trinidad and Tobago



China
Ch-eye-na





Introduction



Canton Palace Restaurant located at Cross Crossing Centre II,

Over two hundred and fifteen (215) years ago, the **first people from China** came to Trinidad and Tobago. They first came to this country to work on the sugar plantations when enslaved Africans were freed. Over time, others came for many different reasons. Some remained in Trinidad and set up businesses. They named them after the places they came from such as, Macao, Hong Kong and Canton.

The **Chinese** people and their children have shared their culture with us. They also helped to develop this country to make it a better place.

Foods and Snacks

Let us look at some delicious Chinese foods enjoyed by many:

Foods

Wontons



Pows



Soups



Noodles with chicken and vegetables



Rice dishes









Chinese teas include Chinese black tea and oolong tea.





Yummy Chinese preserved snacks include salt prunes, mangoes and plums.



Merging of Cultures

Sports and Dance

Dragon Boat Races





Chinese Martial Arts



Karate



Tai-chi

Dance



Lion Dance to show joy and happiness



Other dances such as the Ribbon Dance to show grace and

Clothing and Accessories



Cheongsam is a traditional style of dress worn by Chinese



Traditional Chinese's robes



Chinese fan



Umbrellas



Ask your grandparents, aunts and uncles if they remember going to the Chinese shop near their school to buy plums, cherries and pow, many things we now buy in the supermarket.

Infant 1

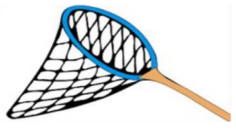
Letter n

Trace the letter n.

n n n n n

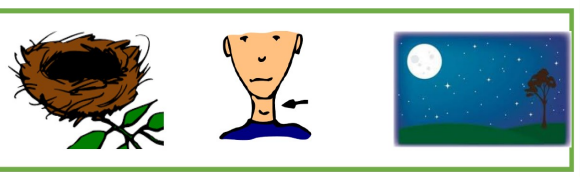
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Trace the beginning letter. Look at the pictures. Say the words.

net 	nose 
nest 	nail 
nuts 	nine 9

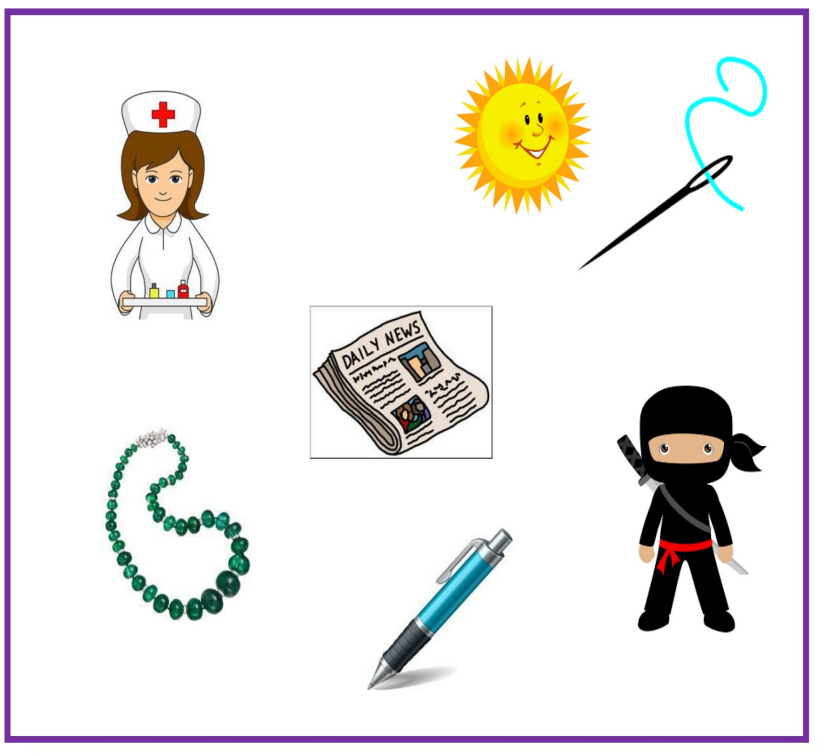
Sound of Letter 'n'

The names of these pictures begin with the 'n' sound.



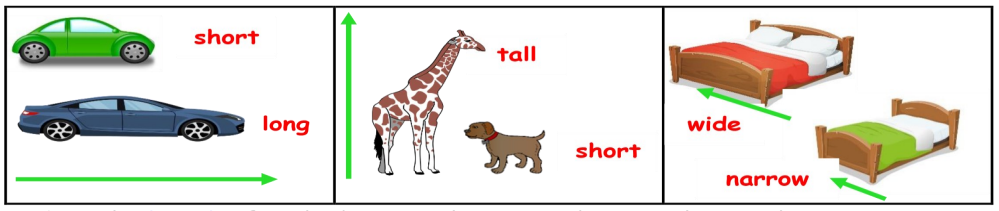
n

Circle the 5 pictures with names that begin with the 'n' sound.

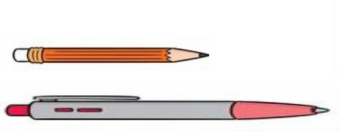


Length

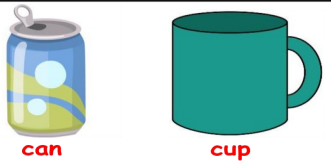
The length of an object is a measure of how long, tall or wide it is.
Other words used to describe length: narrow, longer, shorter, taller, wider



Look at the length of each object. Select a word to complete each sentence.
One is done for you.



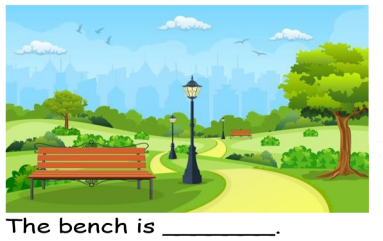
The pen is longer than the pencil.



The _____ is wider than the _____.



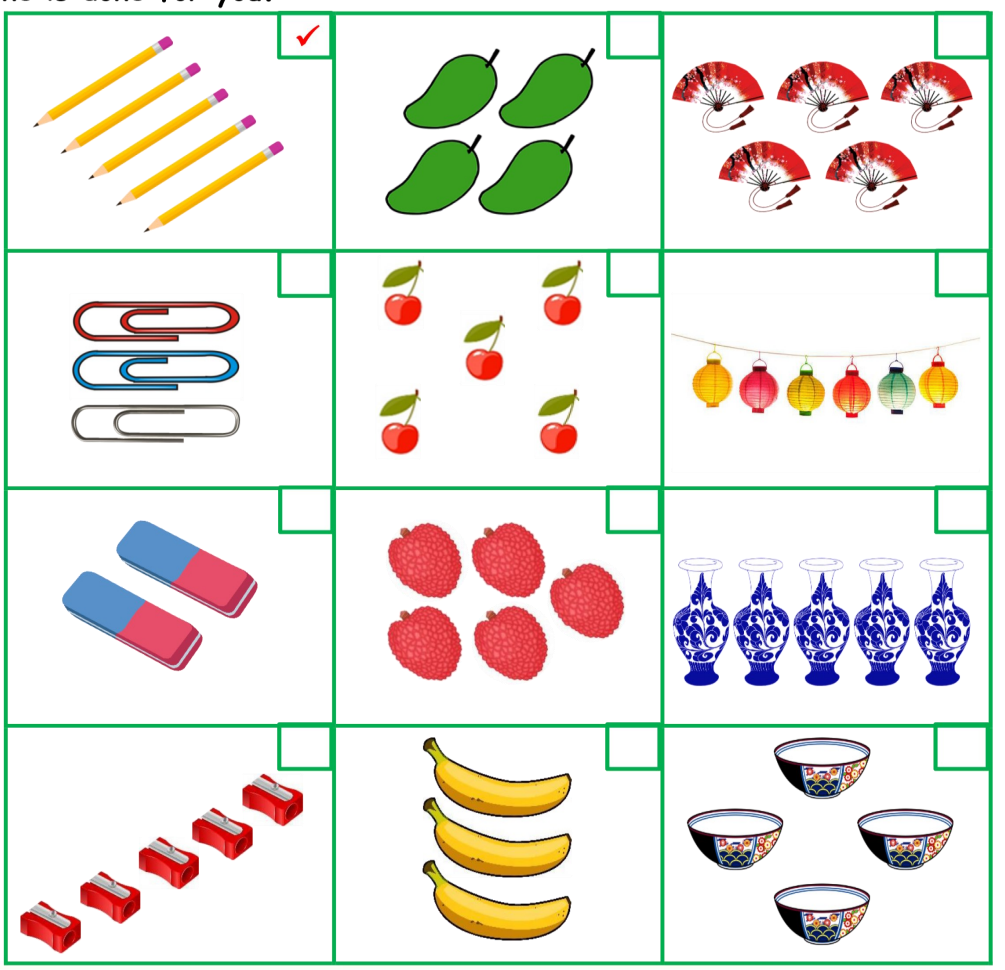
The tree is _____ than the boy.



The bench is _____.
The road is _____.
The lamp post is _____ than the tree.

Finding Five

Put a tick in the boxes that show a set of five objects.
One is done for you.





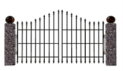
Infant 2

Phonics - long 'a'

The letter "e" at the end of a word changes the short sound of the vowel, which comes before it, to a long sound.

For example: cake  snake 

Read the words with the long 'a' sound. Draw a line from each word to the correct picture.

plate • • 

gate • • 

ape • • 

whale • • 

tape • • 

grate • • 

Read these sentences.

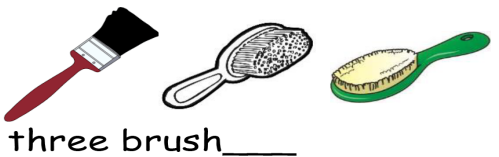
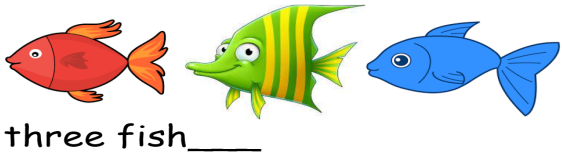
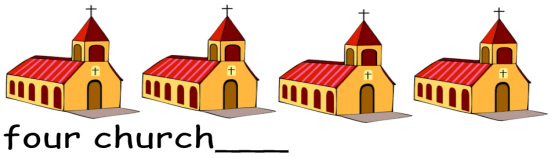
Kate will grate cheese on a plate to make pizza.

The ape and whale are not play mates.

Plural – adding es

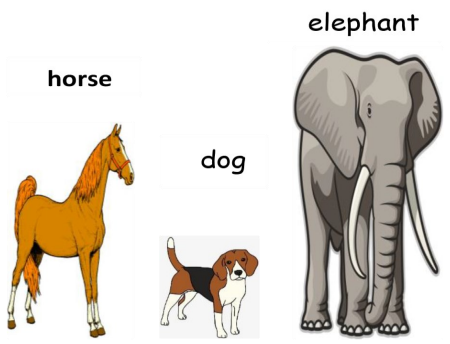
We add es to words ending in ch or sh to make them more than one.

Add es to make these more than one.

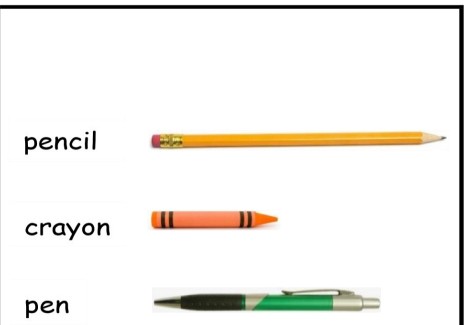
 one bench	 three benches
 one watch	 five watch____
 one brush	 three brush____
 one fish	 three fish____
 one church	 four church____

Comparison of Length

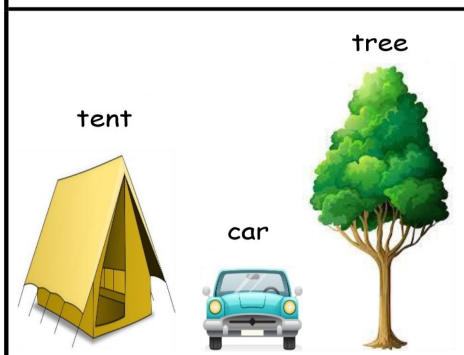
Look at the pictures in the boxes. Complete the sentences that follow.



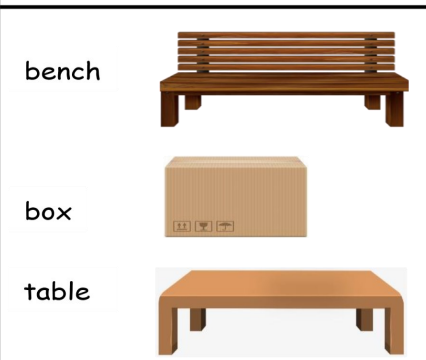
The _____ has the shortest legs.



The pen is longer than the _____.



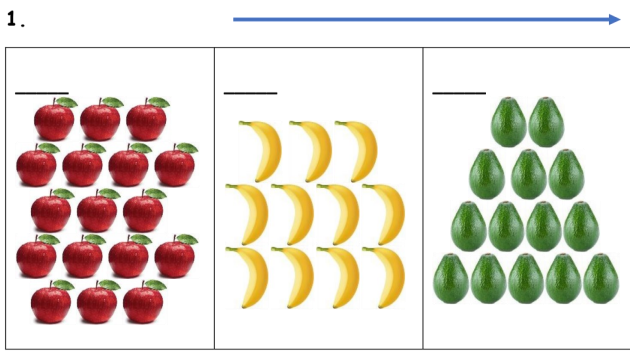
The tent is shorter than the _____.

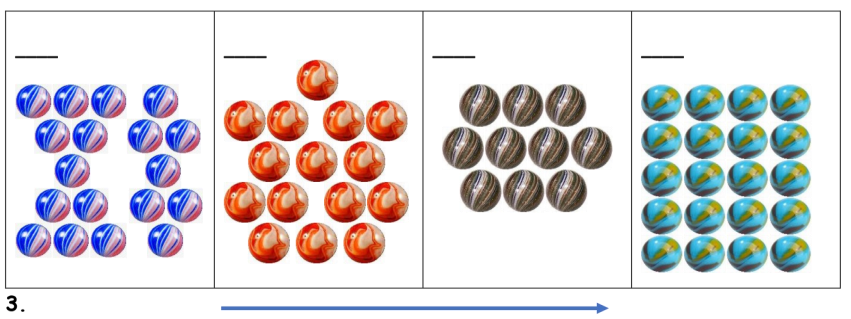


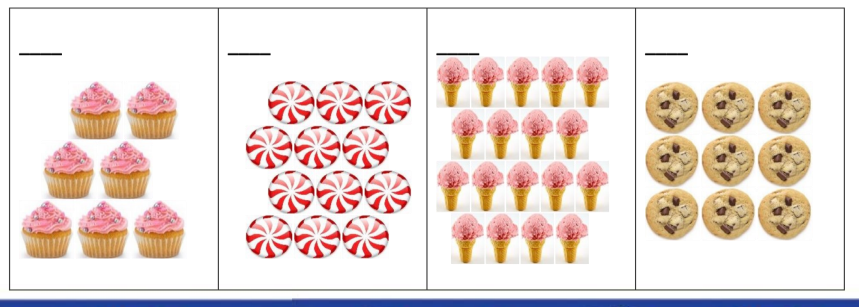
The _____ is as wide as the _____.

Number Concepts

Write in the missing numerals then cut out the images and order them from smallest to largest in the direction of the arrow.

1. 

2. 

3. 

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Utensils



Chopsticks are used instead of spoons and forks. Some are made of wood, bamboo and even plastic.



Beautifully decorated bowls are used to serve rice, soup dishes or tea.



A Wok is used to prepare Chinese dishes.

Did you know?

Double Ten is the national day of the Republic of China. It is celebrated every year on the **tenth of October** (the tenth month of the year).

Jobs past and present

Citizens of Chinese descent have contributed to Trinidad and Tobago in many ways, in the past and up to today as;

- Labourers
- Shopkeepers
- Grocers
- Restaurant owners



- Doctors
- Pharmacists
- Businessmen
- Artists
- Politicians

Chinese Oyster Vendor of the 1880s.
Photo: U.W.I. Library

Do you Know?

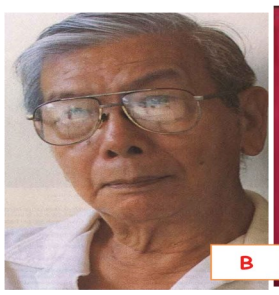
On the 12th October 2006 there was a public holiday to celebrate the 200th year anniversary of the arrival of Chinese immigrants to Trinidad and Tobago.



Part of Charlotte Street is named China Town.

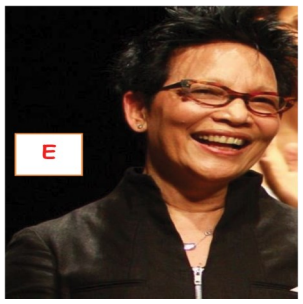
Here are a few of the persons of **Chinese origin** who have contributed greatly to this country. Can you recognise any of them? Get your parents to help you.













Answers

A. Sir Solomon Hochoy - The first Governor General of Trinidad and Tobago in 1962.
B. Mr. Carlysle Chang - designed the Coat of Arms and assisted with the National Flag.
C. Member of Parliament, The Honourable Stuart Young - Minister of Energy
D. Member of Parliament for Pointe a Pierre
E. Meiling - Designer
F. Anya Ayoung Chee - Miss Universe Trinidad and Tobago, 2008.

Activity

Colour the dragon.

