

# Food Classification Activities - Teaching Notes



## Items to be printed

1. 3 sheets of teaching notes.
2. 5 sheets of A4 food picture cards.
3. 2 sheets of categories cards.
4. 5 sheets of words.
5. 1 Venn sheet.

## How to make it up

1. Laminate all the sheets, including the Teaching Notes for reference.
2. Cut up food cards along the guidelines.
3. Cut up categories cards and word cards along the guidelines.

## Language

### Fruit

apple  
banana  
cherry  
grapes (a bunch of)  
guava  
lime  
mango  
melon  
orange  
pear  
pineapple  
strawberry

This activity is for pupils new to English to teach the names of a variety of food items, and where food comes from. The food pictures show food from many cultural backgrounds. They are a good resource for including global foods in other curriculum areas, such as science.

### Vegetables

broccoli  
carrot  
cucumber  
mushroom  
onion  
peas  
peppers  
potato  
radish  
red cabbage  
sweet corn  
tomato

### More vegetables

aubergine  
beetroot  
cassava  
chillies  
garlic  
marrow  
mooli  
okra  
plantain  
spinach  
sweet potato  
yam

## Dairy and Meat

burger  
chicken drumstick  
fish  
kebab  
sausages  
stew  
butter  
cheese  
eggs  
milk  
paneer (Indian cheese)  
yoghurt

## Cereals

blinis  
bread  
chapatti  
cornflakes  
dumplings  
nan bread  
noodles  
pasta  
pitta bread  
porridge  
rice  
sabaayad (Somali pancake)

## Categories

### grows on/in

plants  
trees  
ground

### comes from

cow  
pig  
chicken  
goat

### has

seeds  
pips  
stone  
skin

## Language structures

- What's this?/What are these?  
This is a/an.../These are...  
This is an apple./These are peas.

- Where does this grow?/Where do these grow?  
It grows on a tree./They grow on a plant.

- Where does milk come from?  
Where do eggs come from?  
It comes from a cow./They come from chickens.

- What kind of seeds does this fruit/vegetable have?  
It has/they have seeds/pips/a stone.

## Suggested Activities

- Please include pupils in the group with a good command of English to act as good role models.

## Stage 1 and Stage 2

- Choose a set of food cards that pupils might already be familiar with. Talk about foods they eat at home and/or in their country of origin.
- Encourage pupils to teach you some names of food in their first language, as you teach them the names in English.
- Food pictures can be classified in a variety of different ways.
- The classification headings included in this activity can be used e.g. vegetables can be categorised by growing in the ground, on the ground, or on plants.

- Fruit can be classified by growing on the ground, on plants, or on trees.
- Meat and dairy products can be classified as to where they come from. NB Milk and cheese can come from both cows and goats.
- Also Venn diagrams can be used for three way classification.

(some families in cultural groups may find the image of the pig offence).

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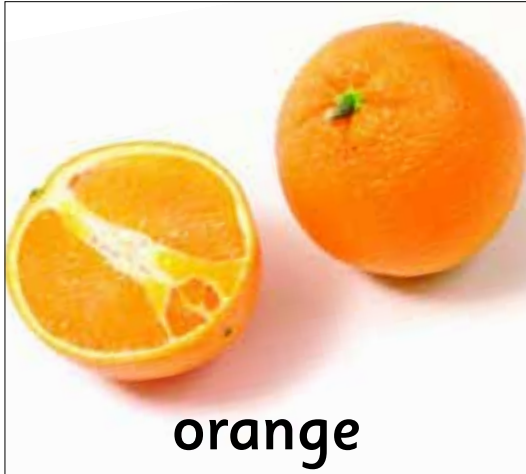
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**orange**



**pear**



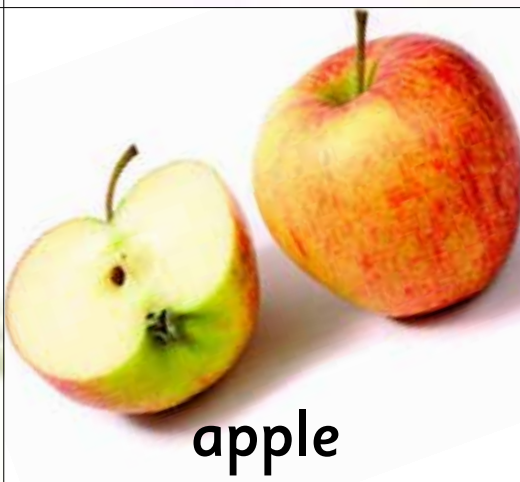
**strawberry**



**melon**



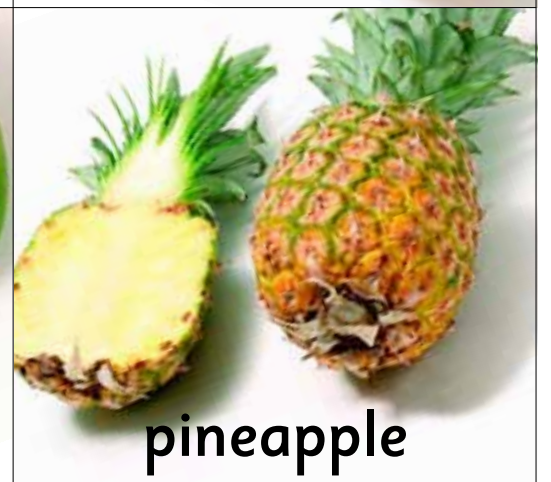
**grapes**



**apple**



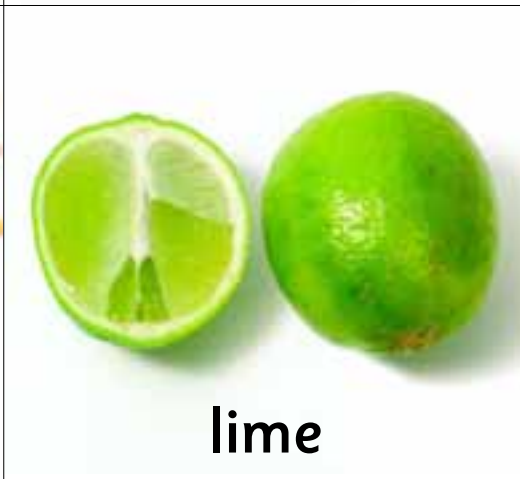
**mango**



**pineapple**



**banana**



**lime**



**cherry**



**guava**



**broccoli**



**red cabbage**



**cucumber**



**mushroom**



**onion**



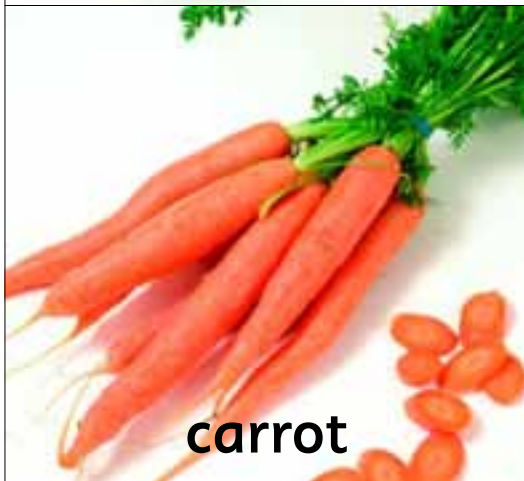
**peppers**



**potato**



**radish**



**carrot**



**sweet corn**



**tomato**



**peas**



**aubergine**



**chillies**



**marrow**



**okra**



**spinach**



**cassava**



**garlic**



**beetroot**



**mooli**



**yam**



**sweet potato**



**plantain**



**burger**



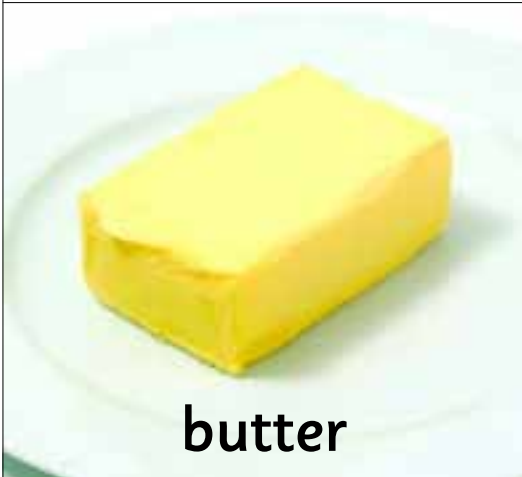
**kebab**



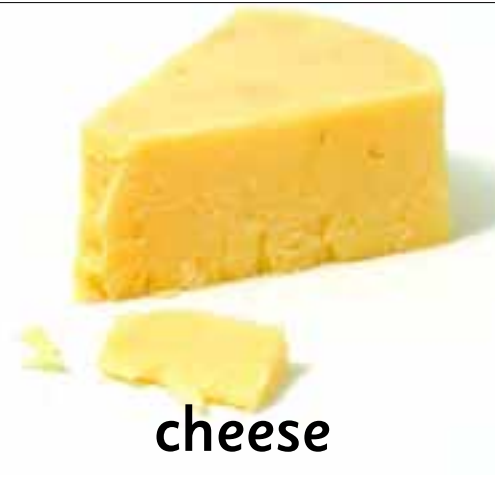
**stew**



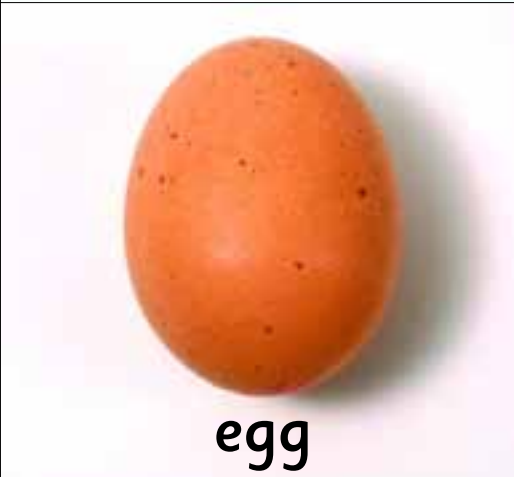
**sausages**



**butter**



**cheese**



**egg**



**fish**



**milk**



**paneer**



**yoghurt**



**chicken drumstick**



**blinis**



**bread**



**chappati**



**cornflakes**



**dumplings**



**nan bread**



**noodles**



**pasta**



**pitta bread**



**porridge**



**rice**



**sabaayad**



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<b>bread</b>	<b>pasta</b>
<b>chapatti</b>	<b>pitta bread</b>
<b>cornflakes</b>	<b>porridge</b>
<b>dumplings</b>	<b>rice</b>
<b>nan bread</b>	<b>sabaayad (Somali pancake)</b>

grows on plants



grows on trees



grows in the ground



grows on the ground



comes from a cow



comes from a chicken



comes from a pig



comes from a goat



fruit	vegetables	fish
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meat	dairy	cereals
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Venn Sheet

