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Johnny Appleseed (whose name was actually John Chapman) was born on September 26, 1774, in Leominster, Massachusetts. Just think-he was still a toddler when the colonies declared their independence from Britain! We don't know too much about what his childhood was like. What we do know for sure about him is that in 1797, when he was in his early 20s, he left on a journey. He had a mission-he wanted to spread apple trees and plant orchards on the new frontier. Remember, back then the western frontier wasn't as far west as we usually think of it. For John, the frontier was western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois.

Everywhere he went, he gave apple seeds and saplings to people. As they spread west, so did his apple trees. Over the years, something else spread, too. Legends and folk tales grew up tall and strong. People said he wore a tin pot on his head instead of a hat and a coffee sack for a shirt. Did he really? We'll never know. But whether he did or not the colorful stories that were written about him, and the more than 1,000 acres of orchards that he planted, will ensure that John ChapmanJohnny Appleseed-is never forgotten.


Apples grow in many different parts of the world. They generally need a temperate environment and good cross-pollination to grow. Did you know that where an apple is grown can affect its taste? Try out your geography skills with this list of apple varieties. Each one includes the place that is known for growing it. Find the country on the map on the following page and write the name of the apple variety in the proper country.



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Find your way through the maze by following ONLY the words that start with the letter A．

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## Writing Prompt

Imagine you are an apple that is at the very bottom of a basket full of other apples. They are pushing on you on every side. How do you feel? What do you do?
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## Writing Prompt

You're hanging out in your tree, minding your own business, when suddenly a worm crawls down your branch and onto your peel. What happens next? What do you do?

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## Writing Prompt

You are in a basket of apples. A woman is sorting all the apples, putting some in one pile and some in another. She picks you up and puts you in a pile. What are you going to be used for? Describe your adventure.

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## Writing Prompt

One day, you fall out of your tree and land on the ground. Just then, a little boy comes and picks you up. What happens next?

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## Writing Prompt

It's your first day in the produce aisle of the grocery store. You are in a large bin with lots of other apples. What are they like? Do you like them? Do they like you?

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Try these apple math problems and test your skills!

1. Count the number of apples you see below. Write the answer on the line.

2. You see apples on the ground in two different places. One place has 3 apples and the other place has 2 apples. How many apples are there all together?

3 apples

$+\quad 2$ apples

$\qquad$ apples
3. There is a basket of apples in the kitchen waiting to be cooked and made into applesauce. You count 15 apples that you can see on top of the basket. If you take 3 apples out of the basket so you can have 1 and share the others with your friends, how many apples will be left on the top of the basket?

$\qquad$ apples left (Hint, if you are not sure, cross out 3 of the apples in the basket and count how many are left.)
4. Your friends are coming over to go on a hike with you and your family and you want to take apple wedges with you to snack on. It would be best to have enough to divide them evenly between your friends. There are 8 apple wedges in the bag you are carrying them in. You have 3 friends coming with you. How many apple wedges will there be for each person? (Don't forget to count yourself and remember, your parents are taking their own snacks.)

8 apple wedges divided between $\qquad$ people equals $\qquad$ apple wedges each.

5. You are out for a walk in the apple orchard. There are so many apple trees! You remember that there are about 32 apples in a peck, and there are 4 pecks in a bushel. Look at the apple trees below.
(a) Are there enough apples showing to make 1 peck? $\qquad$
(b) Are there enough apples showing to make 2 pecks? If you have enough apples to make 2 pecks, what part of a bushel is 2 pecks? $\qquad$

6. You have an apple that has been cut into 8 wedges.
(a) What part of the apple is 1 wedge? Write the answer as a fraction. $\qquad$
(b) What part of the apple would be equal to 2 wedges? Write the number as a fraction, then reduce it to its lowest terms. $\qquad$

7. Look at the pictures of the apples below.
(a) How many red apples do you see?
(b) How many yellow apples do you see?
(c) How many green apples do you see?
(d) How many apples are there altogether? $\qquad$

Your answers in the next part will be fractions. In each case, reduce the fractions to their lowest terms.
(e) What part of the whole amount are red apples?
(f) What part of the whole amount are green apples?
(g) What part of the whole amount are yellow apples?
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An apple tree can grow from a seed or from a part of another apple tree. When it is planted as a seed, it can take five to fifteen years to produce its first apple! When it is planted from a part of another apple tree, it takes about two to five years.


The flowers are pollinated by bees or other methods.

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Next, the flowers start to develop apples. The apples grow and ripen while on the tree. Depending on the type of apple, it can take 60-200 days for them to ripen.


Finally, the apples are harvested. Some are sold fresh in stores. Others are dried or frozen. Some are turned into apple juice, cider, and applesauce. Some are used to make pie filling. Some are stored in special rooms where the apples will stay fresh and juicy to be sold all year long!

And speaking of fresh and juicy-did you know that an apple is more than $80 \%$ water? Color $80 \%$ of the apples below red.


Have you ever been to an art museum? If you have, you might have noticed that apples show up often in paintings. Sometimes they are in bowls of fruit on the kitchen table. Sometimes they are the focus of the entire painting. Still other times they are part of the story the painting is telling. One of my favorite story paintings is Apple Butter Making by Grandma Moses. The painting shows a group of people working together to make a fresh batch of hot apple butter.

Let's take a closer look at the painting. You can view it here: http://www.wikiart.org/en/grandma-moses\#supersized-featured-251587.

1. How many people do you see?
2. How many animals can you find?
3. How many trees are growing?
4. Where are the apples?
5. What is being done to the apples?

But who was Grandma Moses, and why did she paint a picture like Apple Butter Making? Grandma Moses is the byname of Anna Mary Robertson Moses. She was an American folk painter, which meant she painted what she loved and wasn't worried about following all the rules of "fine art" in the way she showed physical objects. One of the things that makes her paintings so special is that because she painted what she saw or remembered, the paintings are like little windows into history.

Apple Butter Making is an example of one of the scenes she painted from memory. She painted many such paintings including Sugaring-Off in the Maple Orchard, Catching the Thanksgiving Turkey, and Over the River to Grandma's House.

Anna Mary had always loved to draw. Later she started making pictures by creating beautiful works of embroidery. She didn't start painting until she was in her 70s when arthritis made it too hard for her to handle the embroidery needle.

See if you can do some more research into the life of Grandma Moses and write what you find below. Go to the back of the page if you need to.

Have you ever heard someone say, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away"? Well, our bodies need more than apples to be healthy, but apples have a lot of things in them that help us stay healthy and keep us from getting sick. Some of those things are found right underneath the peel, so make sure you eat the outside of the apple as well as the juicy part! (Always be aware of allergy dangers.)

One of the things apples have a lot of is fiber. Fiber works in our bodies to clean out cholesterol and other things that would hurt our bodies if we had too much of them.

Another thing apples give our bodies is Vitamin A. Vitamin A helps our bodies make the things our eyes need to see well. It also helps our bones grow and helps cuts and scrapes from getting infected.

A third thing apples provide that keeps us healthy is Vitamin C. Vitamin C helps cuts and scrapes heal, helps our bodies fight off germs, and helps some of the parts of our bodies work the way they are supposed to. Plus it's good for our bones and teeth.

Do you enjoy eating apples? The next time you bite into an apple or eat a piece of apple pie, think about all the ways apples are helping your body!


Get ready to sink your teeth into one or more of these juicy, delicious recipes!

21 Apple Recipes for Fall<br>( ) Pecan Caramel Apple Bread Pudding<br>( $)$ Apple Butter Pork: Gluten and Dairy Free<br>( Slow Cooker Caramel Apple Dessert<br>( ) Apple Cinnamon Baked Oatmeal<br>( ) Warm Apple Pie






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Here is a fun roundup of everything from coloring pages to taste tests!
(4) Johnny Appleseed Coloring Pages
( ) Johnny Appleseed Activity Placemats
๑ Apple Preschool Pack
$\bullet$ Apple Painting Tips and Tricks
$\checkmark$ Apple Orchard Play Dough Set
(๑) Johnny Appleseed Lapbook

- Apple Pie Tree Lapbook
( Apple Magnets
⿶ So Many Apples! Math Puzzle
$\leftrightarrow$ Apple Pie Play Dough and Apple Math Mats
$\measuredangle$ How to Make an Apple Pie and See the World Printable
๑ Taste Test: A is for Apple


## Math Answer Key:

1. 7
2. 5
3. 12
4. 8 apple wedges divided between 4 people equals 2 apple wedges each.
5. (a) Yes
(b) Yes $1 / 2$
6. (a) $1 / 8$
(b) $2 / 8 \quad 1 / 4$
7. (a) 16
(b) 8
(c) 20
(d) 44
(e) $16 / 44=4 / 11$
(f) $8 / 44=2 / 11$
(g) $20 / 44=5 / 11$
