



Third Grade

ELA

GRADE 3 ELA ACTIVITY 4 – CULTURES

A video lesson of a Knox County 3rd grade teacher that accompanies this text is available on KCS YouTube Channel and KCS TV.



In this text, your child will be looking for specific clues about:

TOPIC: Cultures

ESSENTIAL QUESTION: What happens when two ways of life come together?

WORD COMPOSITION: Derivational Suffixes -y, -ish, -hood, -ment

- Do you notice any patterns in these words:

rocky	foolish	rainy	childhood	selfish	treatment
adulthood	publish	movement	childish	parenthood	crunchy
bumpy	payment	sleepy	shipment	statement	grassy
agreement	geography	statehood	feverish	commitment	fragment

Derivational Suffix	Meaning	Word	Definition	Part of Speech (generalization)
-y	like or full of	rocky	full of rocks	adjective
-ish	characteristic of	childish	acting like a child	adjective
-hood	condition, state, quality, rank; body of persons of a particular character or class	childhood	state of being a child	noun
-ment	act, state of	agreement	state of agreeing	noun

- Can you sort the list of words by suffix? Can you use them in sentences?

BUILDING BACKGROUND KNOWLEDGE:

- Ask your child what culture means.
- Tell them as they read, they'll be looking closely at how food plays a role in cultures. Students will learn that even pizza toppings can be influenced by culture.

READING THE TEXT: *Pizza, Pizza Everywhere*

- You may choose to take turns reading the text with your child, read the text at the same time, or have your child read independently.

MAKE YOUR CASE:

- Writing Task: Would you rather eat pizza in the United States or in another country? Explain your opinion with evidence from the text.
 - o Your child should write a paragraph stating their opinion, providing text evidence with an explanation, and restating their opinion.
 - o Take a look at the exemplar below. Do you have all of the components in your paragraph? If not, go back in to add anything that's missing.

EXEMPLAR:

Prompt: *Would you rather eat pizza in the United States or in another country? Explain your opinion with evidence from the text.*

It would be very interesting to try pizza from another country. Pizza from Australia sounds delicious. The most popular toppings in Australia are shrimp, pineapple, and barbecue sauce. These are all flavorful foods that would be great together. The sweetness from the pineapple and spicy from the barbecue would make the perfect pizza pair. Shrimp is also a great protein to add to any meal. Do you think you would like to try pizza from Australia? It would be a terrific experience.

Opinion	It would be very interesting to try pizza from another country. Pizza from Australia sounds delicious.
Text Evidence 1	The most popular toppings in Australia are shrimp, pineapple, and barbecue sauce. These are all flavorful foods that would be great together.
Explanation 1	The sweetness from the pineapple and spicy from the barbecue would make the perfect pizza pair. Shrimp is also a great protein to add to any meal.
Opinion (restated)	Do you think you would like to try pizza from Australia? It would be a terrific experience.

Pizza, Pizza Everywhere

Pizza, pizza, pizza!

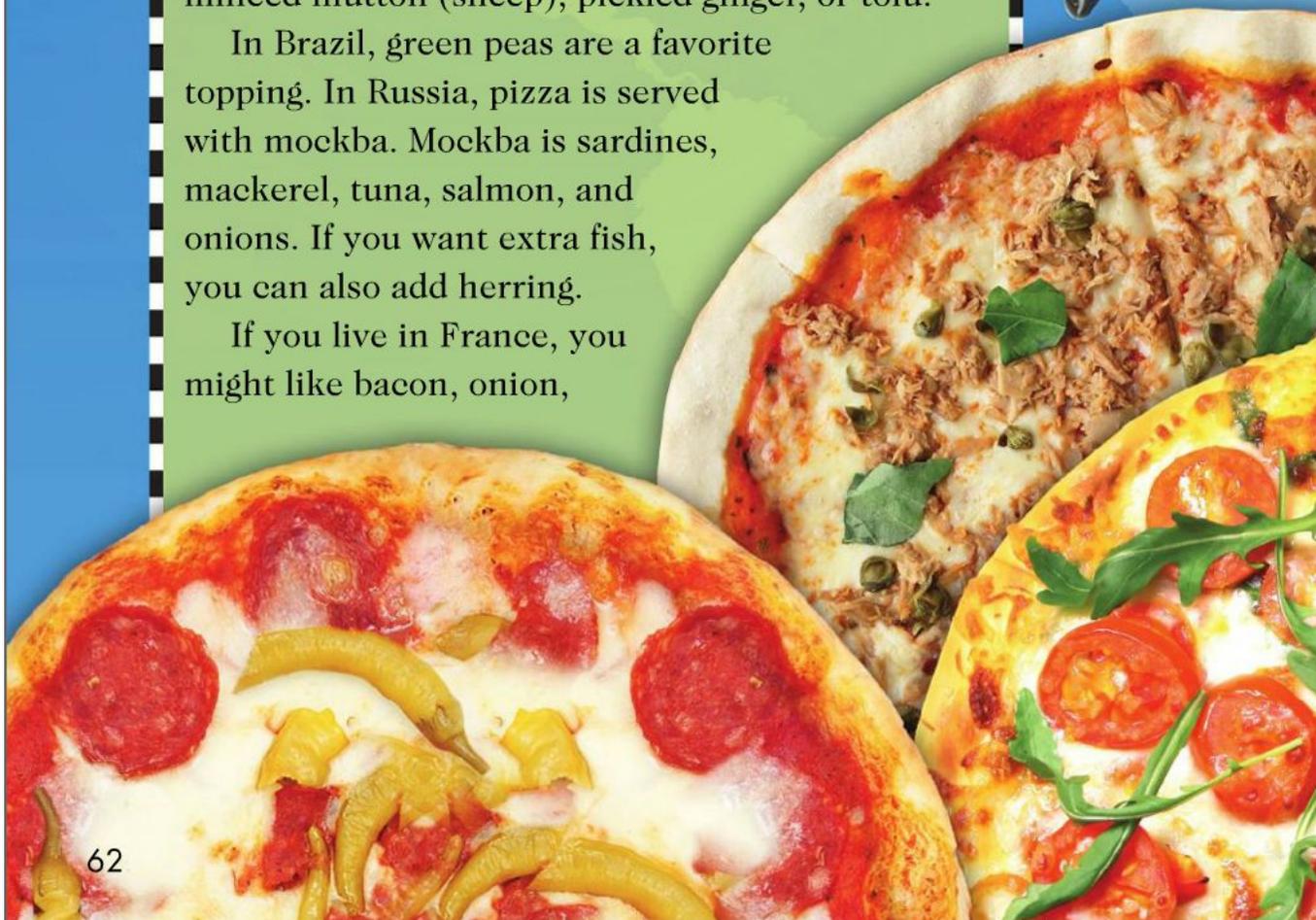
Everyone loves pizza. Did you know that many Americans eat 23 pounds of pizza a year? Did you know that pepperoni is the most popular pizza topping in the United States?

What kind of pizza is popular in other countries? Get ready to be surprised. It may not be the kind of pizza you're used to ordering!

In Japan, many people love pizza topped with squid, mayonnaise, potatoes, and bacon. In India, people like pizza topped with tandoori chicken, minced mutton (sheep), pickled ginger, or tofu.

In Brazil, green peas are a favorite topping. In Russia, pizza is served with mockba. Mockba is sardines, mackerel, tuna, salmon, and onions. If you want extra fish, you can also add herring.

If you live in France, you might like bacon, onion,





and fresh cream on your pizza. Many people in Pakistan like pizza with curry on it. Fly over to Australia if you want pizza with shrimp, pineapple, and barbecue sauce.

Do you like coconut? If you do, you'd probably like the pizza from Costa Rica. And if you're in the Netherlands, you might like pizza with double cheese, double onions, and double beef.

So if you're willing to try different pizza toppings, grab your suitcase and passport! Maybe you can bring those pizza topping ideas back to the United States.



Sleuth Work

Gather Evidence Write three details about how pizzas look and taste different around the world.

Ask Questions Write two questions that you might ask a chef about making the best pizza in town.

Make Your Case Would you rather eat pizza in the United States or in another country? Explain your opinion with evidence from the text.

