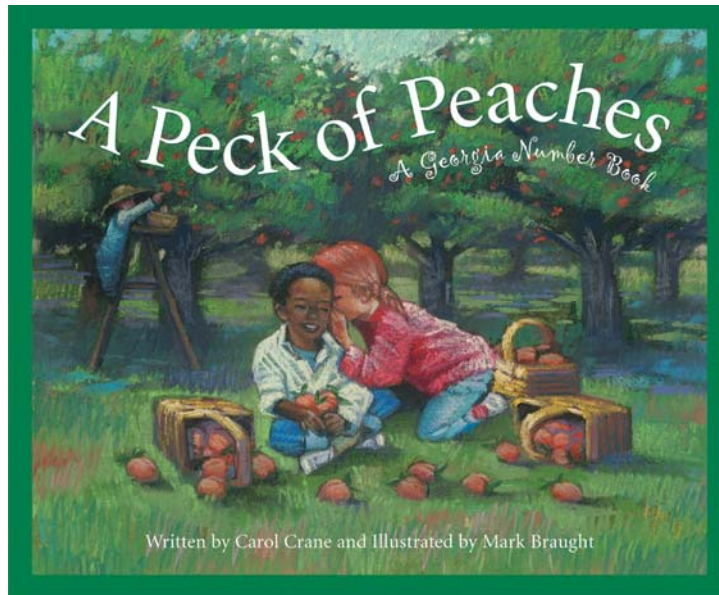


Teacher's Guide



A Peck of Peaches A Georgia Number Book

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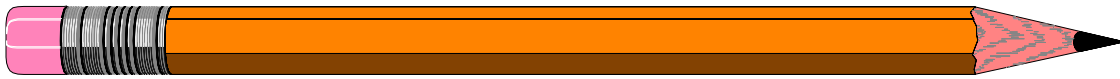
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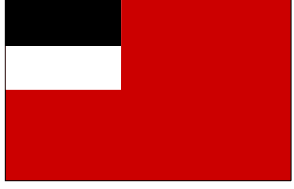


GEORGIA CROSSWORD

All of the answers to this crossword can be found in *A Peck of Peaches*, a wonderful book about the state of Georgia.

1. **G** _ _ _ _ _
2. **E** _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _
3. **O** _ _ _ _
4. **R** _ _
5. **G** _ _ _ _
6. **I** _ _ _ _
7. **A** _ _ _ _ _

1. The Georgia Aquarium has almost 8 million _____ of water
2. The wood stork is making a comeback from being _____
3. A common ingredient in Brunswick Stew is _____
4. The edge of a canyon is called the _____
5. A martin house can be made of bottle _____
6. A piece of land surrounded by water is an _____
7. A state that borders Georgia on the south is _____



What Makes Me Famous?

Enjoy reading *A Peck of Peaches*, a wonderful book about people, places, and things in Georgia. Pay special attention to the people mentioned and to their accomplishments.

Write at least 2 complete sentences about each of these people, explaining what makes them famous.

Margaret Mitchell

Martin Luther King Jr.

Horace King

Martha Berry

James Oglethorpe

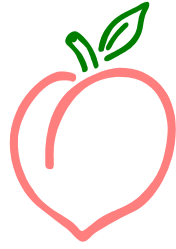


BOTTLE GOURD MATH

Bottle gourds grow abundantly in Georgia. Find the directions for making a birdhouse using a bottle gourd in *A Peck of Peaches*.

Have fun solving these problems using the number 12.

1. Twelve bottle gourds can grow on one vine. If 3 vines each had 12 gourds, how many total gourds would this be? _____
2. Jessie found 12 branches and each branch contained 12 gourds. What is the total number of gourds she found? _____
3. What is $\frac{1}{2}$ of 12? _____
4. Ten groups of 12 equal what number? _____
5. What is another name for 12? _____
6. 60 gourds equal how many dozen? _____
7. Take 2 dozen away from 10 dozen. How many gourds do you have? Write the number of gourds, NOT the number of dozen gourds. _____



What Is a Peck?

A Peck of Peaches is a great book about the state of Georgia. Read and enjoy this book.

What is a peck? It is a unit of capacity measurement.

4 pecks = 1 bushel

Solve

1. In 3 bushels there are how many pecks? _____

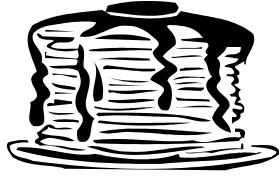
2. John's classroom sold peaches for a school fundraiser. The peaches sold for \$3.00 a peck. The class sold 10 bushels of peaches. How much money did they make? _____

3. Ten pecks equal how many bushels? _____

4. Twenty bushels equal _____ pecks.

5. One peck of peaches cost \$3.00. If there were 15 peaches in a peck, what was the cost of one peach? _____

6. A farmer picked 150 bushels of peaches. How many pecks did he have?



From Cane to Syrup Sequencing

Sugar cane is grown to make syrup. Learn how this process works in *A Peck of Peaches*.

Cut out these syrup-making steps and paste them in the correct order on a separate piece of paper.

The juice is put into a pot and cooked off into syrup

Enjoy the syrup on pancakes

The cane is cut in the fall

The juice is pressed out of the cane by presses

The cane is planted in early spring

The leaves are cut down at ground level

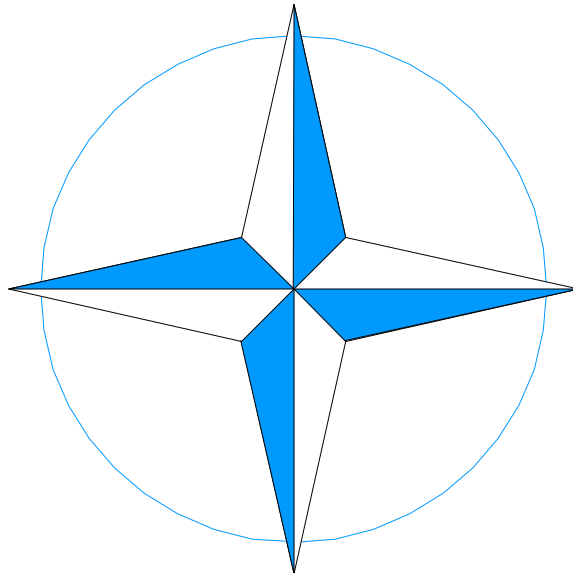
What is your favorite treat to put syrup on?

NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, OR WEST?

Georgia is touched by states in all directions. It also borders an ocean. Which ocean does it border? Find the answer in *A Peck of Peaches*.

On the compass rose below label each of the primary directions. Place the name of each state that borders Georgia next to the direction it is from Georgia. Ex: North

States- Florida, Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina





We Love Water

Georgia is the home of many land and sea creatures. Discover these creatures that love water in *A Peck of Peaches*.

Write 2 facts about each of these water-loving animals.

1. Shark _____

2. Shrimp _____

3. Tarpon

4. Loggerhead turtle

Choose one of these water animals and write a short story about it.

What is Erosion?

Poor farming practices in the past in Georgia led to the formation of the “Little Grand Canyon.” Read about this fabulous canyon in *A Peck of Peaches*.

Try this experiment to find the effects erosion has on the earth.

Materials

Large board

Large shallow pan

Dirt, sand, twigs, leaves

Water

Plastic cup

Directions

1. Place a layer of damp soil and sand on the board.
2. Mix twigs and leaves in the soil.
3. Prop up one end of the board and place the bottom of the board into the pan.
4. Slowly pour water down the center of the board.
5. Observe what happens.
6. Pour more water down a different part of the board and observe.

Write your observations and conclusions.



Fishing, Swimming, or Boating? Survey and Graph

Georgia has many man-made lakes. Learn why they had to make lakes and why lakes didn't occur naturally in *A Peck of Peaches*.

Fishing, swimming, and boating are all popular activities on the lakes. Which is your favorite?

Survey 50 students to find which activity they prefer.

Fishing

Swimming

Boating

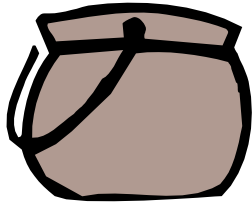
Make a pictograph showing the results of your survey. Use a fish, a life preserver, and a boat for the symbols on your pictograph.

LEARN ABOUT THE PAST

The Georgia students who took part in the “Foxfire” project learned many things about the past and how people lived in their area. Read the history of this writing project in *A Peck of Peaches*.

Interview the oldest person you know. It could be a relative, friend, or neighbor.

1. Ask them to explain ten things that were different when they were young as compared to today.
2. What one thing do they think was better then?
3. What one thing do they think is better now?
4. What piece of advice would they give to you?



BRUNSWICK STEW JUST FOR YOU!

Brunswick, Georgia is one of the many Brunswicks throughout the United States that claim to be the origin of Brunswick Stew. After reading about the stew in *A Peck of Peaches*, try this yummy recipe.

Brunswick Stew

Ingredients

2 cups water
2 potatoes, diced
1 onion, chopped
1 can whole kernel corn (do not drain)
2 cans diced tomatoes with juice
1 pound ground beef
1 tablespoon sugar
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
Salt and pepper to taste

Directions

1. Bring water to boil in a saucepan, add potatoes and boil until tender.
2. Pour the potatoes and their water into a large pot. Stir in onions, corn, tomatoes, and ground beef. Bring to a boil.
3. Cover, reduce heat to medium-low, and simmer for 2 hours, stirring occasionally.
4. Stir in sugar, salt, and pepper. If stew is too watery, stir together flour and some of the stew liquid in a small cup, and then stir the mixture into the stew.
5. Continue cooking for 1 hour.

ENJOY!

WHAT'S YOUR DREAM?

A Peck of Peaches
Answer Sheet

Georgia Crossword- 1) gallons 2) endangered 3) onion 4) rim
5) gourds 6) island 7) Alabama

What Makes Me Famous- 1) author, Pulitzer Prize winner, “Gone with the Wind” 2) minister, civil rights activist 3) slave, bridge-builder, freed in Ohio 4) teacher, founded boys and girls schools, Berry College 5) founder of Georgia

Bottle Gourd Math- 1) 36 2) 144 3) 6 4) 120 5) dozen 6) 5
7) 96

What Is a Peck?- 1) 12 2) \$120 3) 2 ½ 4) 80 5) .20 6) 600

From Cane to Syrup- 5, 6, 2, 4, 1, 3

North, South, East, West- North- Tennessee, North Carolina
South- Florida East- South Carolina West- Alabama

We Love Water- Shark – teeth in layered rows, skeleton is made of cartilage, 50,000 teeth in a lifetime
Shrimp- color dull gray, mother releases 500,000 to 1 million eggs, Georgia’s most valuable ocean crop
Tarpon- weigh up to 300 pounds, large silver scales, swim close to shore in winter
Loggerhead turtle- threatened species, sea turtle