

### The Humble Potato

1. Where were potato plants first grown for food? 1 mark  
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2. How long could the chuno pulp be stored for? 1 mark  
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3. Which of these were the Spanish traders looking for? **Circle one.** 1 mark  
potatoes          food          gold          farms
4. Look at the section headed: **Where it all began.** Find and copy one phrase which shows that some people in Europe were unsure about eating potatoes. 1 mark  
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5. What did Spanish fishermen use to preserve fish? **Circle one.** 1 mark  
milk          soil          salt          water
6. Look at the section headed: How the potato arrived in Britain. **Find and copy a phrase** that suggests that people are not sure how the potato first came to Britain. 1 mark  
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7. Look at the section headed: **How the potato arrived in Britain.** Identify one piece of information which shows that potatoes were an exciting discovery. 1 mark  
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8. Legend has it that the cooks threw away the potatoes... Draw a line to show the phrase that is closest in meaning to Legend has it.

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| Legend has it | it is certain that  |
|               | it is believed that |
|               | it is hoped that    |
|               | it is not that      |

9. Look at the section headed: How the potato arrived in Britain. Why are the words (which are poisonous) written in brackets? **Circle one.** 1 mark

to explain to the reader that they are deadly  
to explain why they were boiled  
to explain why they were thrown away  
to explain why people were ill

10. Look at page 5. Explain why the potato crop is important to people today, all over the world. **Give two reasons.** 2 marks

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

11. No wonder they were winners! Why is the writer not surprised that they were the winning school? **Give two reasons.** 2 marks

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_

12. Look at the information on pages 4 and 5. How is the information on page 4 different from the information on page 5? 1 mark

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Page 5 \_\_\_\_\_