

BEING A GLOBAL CITIZEN (1)

PSHCE

HOW MANY CHOCOLATE BARS CAN YOU THINK OF?



ANSWER THE QUESTIONS IN YOUR BOOKS

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WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE CHOCOLATE BAR?

How much do chocolate bars cost?

How often do you eat chocolate bars?

How would you feel if you were not allowed to eat them anymore after today?

How important is chocolate to you?

Do you take it for granted?





Ghana is on the African continent. It is on the Atlantic Coast.



Ghana grows a lot of cocoa beans (which chocolate is made from) which they export to make the world's chocolate products.

This is a raw cocoa.



Before it can get made into the chocolate we eat it needs to be processed in factories. Cocoa grows in warm countries like Ghana. Often extra sugar is added to raw cocoa before it's turned into chocolate bars, this makes it expensive. Raw cocoa isn't very sweet.

There are many cocoa farms (plantations) in Ghana.



The workers on these farms often include school-age children. Harvesting the cocoa can be demanding work in hot and dirty conditions. Wages are low.

Many children have to work on the plantations and go to school,



as well as do housework and chores at home. Some children do not go to school at all. Many Ghanaian children don't get to eat the chocolate they help to harvest because it is too expensive.

These children do not go to school.



Their families feel it is better for them to work on the cocoa plantation rather than get an education. Some of the children in this picture have dreams to be teachers and doctors.

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10. All Ghanaian parents want their children to go to school. **(False – some see their children as a means to support the family by working on the plantations.)**

HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT CHOCOLATE NOW?

What do you think about the life for many children in Ghana?



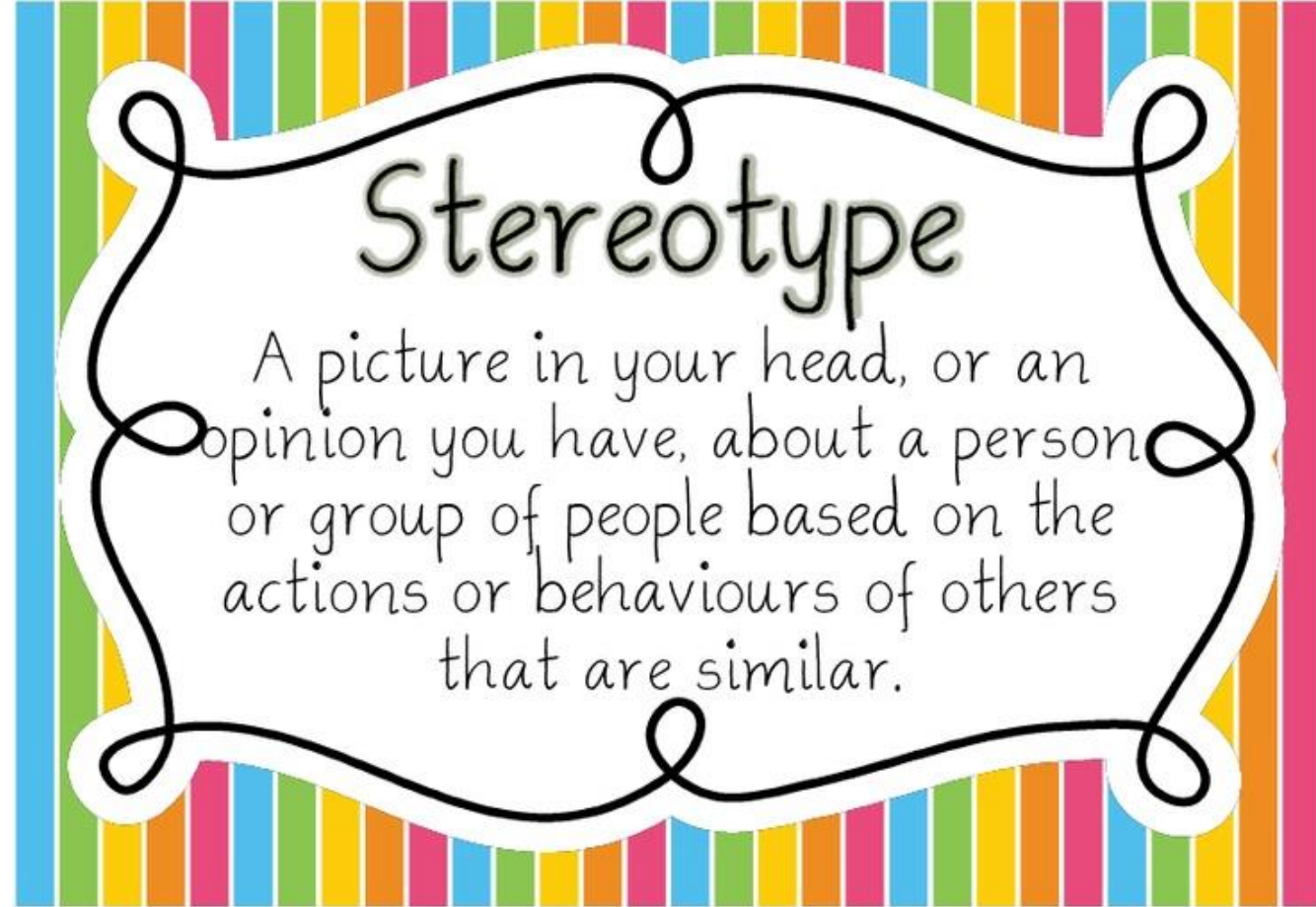
Note

There are some children in Ghana who do not have to work on plantations and do have a good education and a comfortable lifestyle. These are mainly in the cities.

What is a stereotype?

A widely held but fixed and oversimplified image or idea of a particular type of person or thing.

Remember – there is more than one side of a story to think about!



NOW, ANSWER THE QUESTIONS AS IF YOU WERE A CHILD WHO HAD TO WORK ON A COCOA PLANTATION.

What do you notice when you compare these answers with your own answers?

Where are there similarities? Differences?

(e.g. attitudes to school, attitudes and experience of chocolate)



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