

Tea



Plantations in Taiwan

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Taiwan is famous for its tea. Many tea farms sit in a **beautiful** mountain **area**. The green rows of tea plants go **around** the hills and make a lovely view. Cool **air** and soft rain help the plants grow well.

Farmers **begin** work early in the morning. They pick the best tea leaves by hand. Some leaves will **become** oolong tea. Others will become green tea or black tea. Each kind has its own smell and taste.

Many people **believe** Taiwan tea is special because the farms are high **above** sea level. The weather changes quickly on the mountain. Sunny mornings and cloudy afternoons help the leaves grow slowly and stay rich in flavor.

Tea leaves are taken to the factory **after** picking. Workers dry, roll, and heat them. Then the tea is packed in bags or boxes. People in Taiwan and other countries drink it at home, in tea shops, and with meals.

Tea farming is still one of Taiwan's **best** traditions. Visitors enjoy walking through the fields and learning how tea is made. A cup of Taiwan tea shares the hard work of farmers and the beauty of the mountains.

A. Vocabulary

1. beautiful ____ a. later than

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| 2. area ____ | b. to think something is true |
| 3. around ____ | c. the mixture of gases we breathe |
| 4. air ____ | d. better than all the others |
| 5. begin ____ | e. a part of a place or region |
| 6. become ____ | f. on every side of something |
| 7. believe ____ | g. to start |
| 8. above ____ | h. to change into something |
| 9. after ____ | i. higher than something else |
| 10. best ____ | j. very pretty to look at |

B. True or False

1. Many tea farms in Taiwan are in mountain areas. ____
2. Tea plants grow badly in cool air and soft rain. ____
3. Farmers usually begin work late at night. ____
4. Some tea leaves become oolong tea. ____
5. People believe high farms help make Taiwan tea special. ____
6. Tea leaves are packed before workers dry them. ____
7. Taiwan tea is only drunk in Taiwan. ____
8. Visitors can learn how tea is made. ____
9. Tea farming is an old tradition in Taiwan. ____

C. Fill in the Blanks

Word Bank: beautiful, area, begin, become, above, after, best

1. Taiwan has a very _____ mountain view with tea plants.
2. Many tea farms are in a mountain _____.
3. Farmers _____ work early in the morning.
4. Some tea leaves _____ oolong tea.
5. Many farms sit high _____ sea level.

D. Comprehension Questions

1. Where are many tea farms in Taiwan?
2. Why do cool air and rain help tea plants?

3. What do farmers do with the tea leaves first?
4. Why do people think Taiwan tea is special?
5. What can visitors do at tea farms?

E. Discussion Questions

1. Do you like tea or another drink more? Why?
2. Would you like to visit a tea farm in the mountains? Why or why not?
3. What food or drink is special in your town or country?

Answer Key

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A. Vocabulary: 1-j, 2-e, 3-f, 4-c, 5-g, 6-h, 7-b, 8-i, 9-a, 10-d

B. True/False: 1-T, 2-F, 3-F, 4-T, 5-T, 6-F, 7-F, 8-T, 9-T

C. Fill Blanks: 1-beautiful, 2-area, 3-begin, 4-become, 5-above

D. Comprehension:

1. Many tea farms are in beautiful mountain areas in Taiwan.
2. They help the tea plants grow well.
3. They pick the best tea leaves by hand.
4. Because many farms are high above sea level and the mountain weather helps the leaves grow slowly.
5. They can walk through the fields and learn how tea is made.