

CLASS – VII

SUBJECT- GEOGRAPHY

CHAPTER- CASE STUDY 2: Cocoa cultivation in Ghana

A. Choose the correct answer.

1. Which was the first country of Africa to achieve independence?
→ Ghana
2. In which year did Ghana achieve its independence?
→ 1957
3. How much time is taken by cacao trees to produce fruit ?
→ 7 years
4. What is one of the main industries in Ghana?
→ Cacao plantation
5. Which tree grows extremely well in Ghana?
→ Cacao

B. State whether the sentences are true or false .

1. Cacao trees grow extremely well in Ghana's humid forests. → true
2. Cacao seeds are planted during the wet season. → False
3. The flowers and cacao pods begin to appear after about four years → False
4. A large proportion of beans are exported to other countries where they are converted into many cocoa products → True
5. Cacao trees cannot grow very tall. → False

C. Fill in the blanks.

1. The forests protect the cacao from strong winds and bright sunlight.
2. The humidity provides the kind of rainfall that is needed as well as the right temperature.
3. The average distance between them is anywhere between 2 and 4 meters .
4. Cacao are kept trimmed so that they do not grow beyond six meters.
5. The beans and the pulp surrounding them are kept covered under leaves .

D. Answer the following questions in 3-4 sentences.

1. Which is the first independence country of western Africa and when did it achieve independence?
→ Ghana in western Africa was the first black country to achieve its independence in 1957.
2. What is the reason behind the growth of cacao trees in the humid forests of Ghana?
→ Cacao trees require a lot of shade and water when they are young .
3. How is chocolate made from cacao?
→ After drying beans undergo a process of roasting and are ground to produce cocoa butter and chocolate.
4. What is fermentation?
→ The beans and the pulp surrounding them are kept covered under leaves , this process is called fermentation.

5. Why are the cacao trees trimmed?

→Cacao trees are kept trimmed so that they do not grow beyond six meters . This makes it simpler to reach the pods that contain cacao beans.