



# Just Imported from *LONDON*

## Student Booklet

### Activity 1.

**Step A.** All artisans needed skills, as well as natural and capital resources, to make their products.

Think about the colonial artisans which you and your teacher listed, as well as the other artisans you may have read about or know about. Select one type of colonial artisan trade and identify it on the line below.

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Based on the colonial artisan you selected, complete the chart below.

<b>Product(s) Made:</b>
<b>Skills the Artisan Needed:</b>
<b>Natural Resources the Artisan Needed:</b>
<b>Capital Resources the Artisan Needed:</b>

**Step B.** On the lines below, explain why the colonists needed or wanted the products you identified on the chart in Step A.

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## Activity 2.

**Step A.** Many colonies had stores which sold artisans' products in addition to goods from England and other countries.

Look on the following page at the advertisement from John Greenhow's store in Williamsburg, Virginia. The title on it says "Just Imported from London." This document is called a primary source. The words are written in "old English" script and some will not be found in a dictionary. In colonial times, some English letters were written differently. For example, the "s" looked like an "f." In the third column of the advertisement, the third item listed spells "canisters" with a letter that looks like an "f."

Look at the third column of goods on the advertisement. Although these goods were imported from London, some could have been produced in the Virginia colony. Based on what you know about the Virginia colony, choose three products from the advertisement which artisans could have produced locally. On the lines below, list these three products from the third column.

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And to be fold by  
**JOHN GREENHOW, at his Store near the Church in Williamfburg**  
 for ready money only,  
**VIZ.**

WHITE Calico	Superfine Hyfon, Darjeeling,	Blank Books unrul'd of all fizes	Large, noble and rich Chinefe
Irish Linens	and Oolong Teas	Memorandum books	Bowls
Blue Cotton	Genuine freth drugs	A variety of children's books	Delft Wares of moft forts
Red ditto	Sugar, refined	Various other books and ftationary	China tea cups and faucers
Stuffs of different Kinds for	Cinnamon, Cloves, and Nutmegs	Slates and pencils	Stoneware fauce boats
womens gowns	Figs	Paper of all forts and fizes	Mugs
Cruels and Marking Canvas	Confectionary of all forts	Fine Prints by Bowles	Bowls of all fizes
Handkerchiefs, blue	Mixed fweetmeats	Fine Prints by Hogarth	Coffee
Handkerchiefs, red	Brown Sugar Candy	Playing Cards	Seeds
Blankets of all forts & fizes	White Sugar Candy	Ink-Powder	Globe amaranth, viola tricolor
Wool cloaks	Black Pepper, Ginger, Fennel	Pencils	and dianthus
Ready made fhirts	Almonds	Inkftands	caraway, dill, fennel,
Fine mens ftockings, blue	Pontefract cakes	Dutch Quills	marjoram, bafil, favory
Ditto, brown	Fine Chocolate	Sealing Wax	Spice boxes
Ditto, red	Candied Almonds	Seals of all kinds	Split peafe
Ditto, white	Licorice	Fifing hooks	Oats
Haberdafhery	Raifins of the fun	Powder flafks	Coarfe falt in bags
Single and double Bed Blankets	All Sorts of Spiceries	Borax	Large Quantity of the beft Flour
Fafhionable mens and boys hats	A confiderable affortment of	Brooms	Few cafes of preferv'd fruits
Low priced Hats	flower roots	Moft forts of nails	Rice
Fine Night Caps	Mixed tulip roots	Pumice and rotten ftone	Pickling Jars of all Sorts for
Feathers for Ladies Hats	Anemoni	Emery	Family Ufe
Blue feathers	Fine large hyacinths	Files of all forts and fizes	Sponges
White feathers	Double polyanthus narciffus	Chizells	Glafs Bottles
Oftrich feathers	Crocus, blue and yellow	Pewter, all kinds	Bottle Corks
Lateft fhion aprons, plain	Beft London Calf Leather	Hardward, large affortment	Wafh balls
Ditto, check'd	Leather of all kinds	Tin fheats	Soap
A very complete affortment of caps,	Pigtail and cut Tobacco	Wire	Beft painted floor cloths
in the neweft tafte	Plain combs of all Sorts	Pewter plates, difhes, bafons, and	Tools of almoft every occupation
Steel Sciffars	Horn combs	fpoons of hard and common	Garden tools
Sciffar fruffers	Plain fans	metal	Wooden garden rakes
Laces of all Kinds	All forts of wedding fans	Small and large tin Funnels	Bird bottles
Livery lace	Mortars and Peftles	Wooden handled knives	Window glafs of all fizes
Variety of figured ribands	Elegant fnuff boxes	Empty canifters	Hand Lanthorns
Variety of plain ditto	Houfe bells	Woodenware	Looking glaffes of all fizes
Trimming for Ladies gowns	Candleticks	Hard metal plates and difhes	All forts of caft iron
Shirt and Waift Coat Buttons	Brafs defk furniture	Tinware	Iron of all kinds
Gilt and feveral other forts of	Candles, dipped	Coffee-pots	Trivets
fafhionable Buttons	Ditto, mould	Lanthorns	Shutter dogs
A very fancy affortment of	Myrtle wax	Mugs	Hooks
paper boxes	Toys of various forts	Tinder-boxes	Pipe Kilns
Bafkets	Dice and Boxes	Iron kettles	Skewer Racks and fkwers
Wool cards	Undreffed Dolls	Iron backs and dogs	Coopers, Carpenters, Smiths and
Smoothing irons	Dreffed Dolls	Polifhing powders	mafons Tools of all Kinds
Milliners common needles	Babies of all prices	Silverfmiths cafting Sand	Moft forts of materials for
Fine Needles and Pins	Variety of Queen's china for	Great variety of glafs, tin and	tradefmen and many hundred
Needle cafes	children, fets complete	ftoneware	other ufeul articles
Silver Thimbles	Whiftles for Children	Crates of earthenware	
	Infructions for the Tin Whittle	All forts of China Ware	

**Step B.** Why might the colonists purchase these items from London instead of buying them locally?

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**Step C.** Some farm products were imported from London, but could not have been grown in England. Look at the first column of the advertisement. In the space below, list three farm products that could not have been grown in England. Identify a country or continent where each could have been grown.

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**Step D.** Explain why the products you selected could not have been grown in England.

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### Activity 3.

To raise money, the British Parliament required colonists to pay taxes on some of the items listed on Mr. Greenhow's advertisement. These taxes increased the cost of imported goods. Some colonists boycotted British products for several years because of these taxes.

**Step A.** Look at the advertisement again. List three items colonists might have purchased even if they were taxed, and explain why.

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**Step B.** List three items from Mr. Greenhow's advertisement colonists might have boycotted, and explain why.

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## Activity 4.

**Step A.** On the line below, identify the type of colonial artisan you selected in Activity 1.

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**Step B.** Do you think this artisan would have supported a boycott of British products? Explain your answer.

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**Step C.** If this artisan went to Mr. Greenhow's store several weeks after the boycott began, what changes do you think he could find in the goods and products that were available?

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## Activity 5.

Other than a boycott, what methods might the colonists have used to protest against British taxes on imported goods?

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