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Fair Trade

## **Key Vocabulary**

Commodities	items that are bought and sold
Merchant	somebody who buys and sells goods, es- pecially as a wholesaler
Trade	the activity of buying and selling goods
Domestic trade	exchange of goods or services within the same country
International trade	exchange of goods or services between different countries
Political map	a map that shows the political borders of nations, states, counties, and major cities.
Silk Road	a network of routes used by traders for more than 1,500 years between East Asia and Europe
Import	when goods or services are brought into a country from abroad for sale
Export	to send goods for sale or exchange to other countries
Manufacture	to make something into a finished product using raw materials
Profit	obtain a financial advantage or benefit

The most famous traveller along the Silk Road (and perhaps the most famous traveller that ever lived) was the Italian merchant and explorer **Marco Polo**, who was born and brought up in Venice. In 1271 at the age of 17 he set out with his father and uncle along the Silk Road on an epic journey to China, returning 24 years later with many riches and treasures.

Key Facts

 The port of Southampton is the busiest port for cruise ships and the second largest for containers in the United Kingdom.

 The United Kingdom imports more commodities from China each year than any other country in the world.

Fairtrade-certified farmers are guaranteed a minimum price for their crop at the beginning of each year so they know what they are going to earn in advance of doing the work.



do you ever think about the farmer who has grown the fruit?

In this topic, we will meet two farmers: Melvin and Retina.

Melvin has no idea what he will earn this year and Retina has a guaranteed price for her bananas.

## The Silk Road

