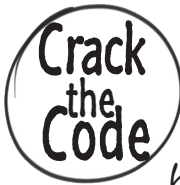


The Queen of Sheba



The queen of Sheba was very impressed by the things she saw when she visited Solomon. Find out what impressed her by picking out one letter from each of the spice words below and copying it into the gap on the right. The number above each word tells you which letter to pick.

wasabi¹ anise³ mustard³ cardamom⁴ saffron⁶ sesame⁵ _ _ _ _ _

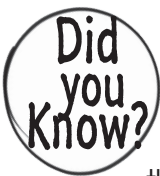
paprika² cumin¹ chilli² juniper-berries⁴ anise⁵ cloves⁴ fenugreek² _ _ _ _ _
 mustard¹ mace⁴ vanilla³ turmeric¹ allspice⁴

allspice⁴ pepper⁵ caraway³ vanilla¹ sesame⁴ cinnamon⁸ _ _ _ _ _
 nutmeg³ sumac¹

fenugreek¹ coriander² saffron⁶ dill-seed¹ _ _ _ _

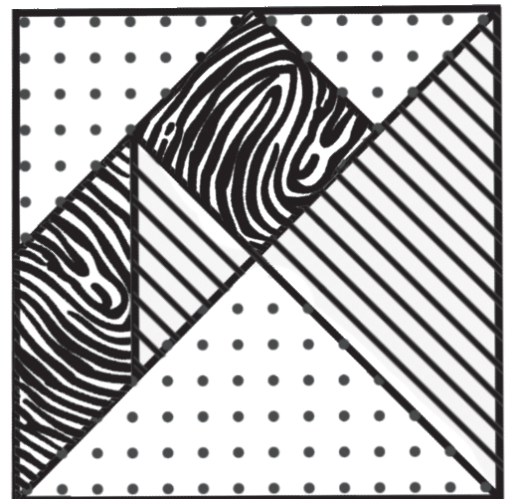
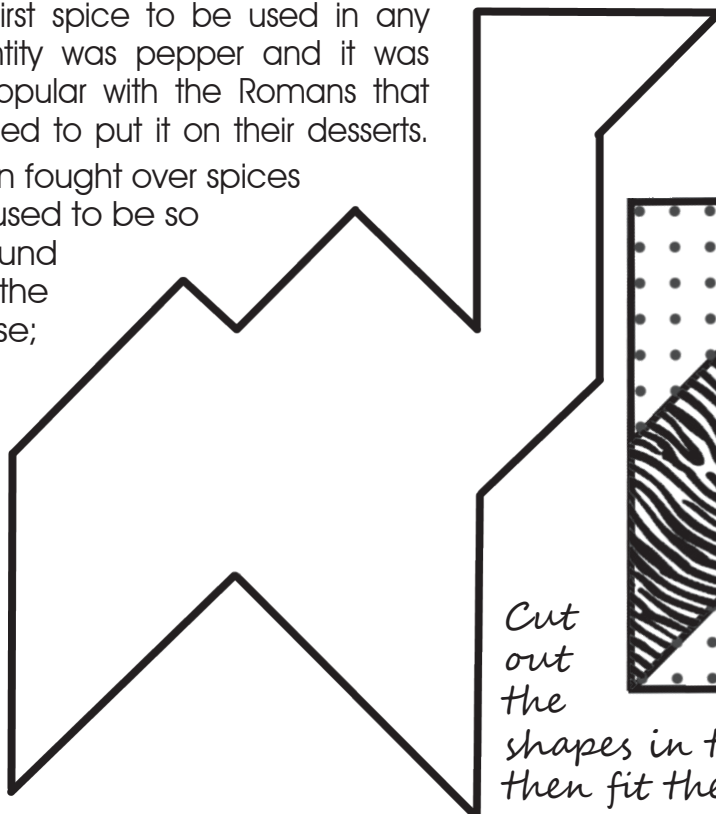
turmeric¹ mace⁴ garam-masala⁵ poppy-seeds³ chilli⁴ ginger⁵ _ _ _ _ _

nutmeg⁶ cardamom⁵ mustard⁷ wasabi³ _ _ _ _ _
 cloves² coriander² vanilla¹ juniper-berries⁶



The first spice to be used in any quantity was pepper and it was so popular with the Romans that they used to put it on their desserts.

Wars have been fought over spices because they used to be so valuable. A pound of saffron cost the same as a horse; a pound of ginger, as much as a sheep; 2 pounds of mace as much as a cow, and a pound of nutmeg as much as 7 fat oxen.



Cut out the shapes in the square below then fit them into the camel.