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Bring International Trade to Your Classroom

To obtain a free copy of *Understanding International Trade Concepts*, contact:

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International Trade In the Classroom

Trade Education Unit:

*Understanding International Trade
Concepts*



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Trade is...

...everywhere! It's in a t-shirt, television, car, international phone calls, and even in our classrooms. In fact, the United States imports and exports nearly \$300 million worth of goods and services each hour! With the increasing effect of globalization on our society, concepts of international trade are more important than ever.



Teaching trade concepts...

...is educational, relevant, and interactive. Our lesson plans explore the main areas of international trade, while conforming to state curriculum standards. Teachers can use the plans to teach an entire unit on trade, or incorporate individual lessons into existing units.

WIIT Trust Lesson Plans: A Sample of Activities

The WIIT Trust unit on international trade includes activities like:

- *Mock Trade Negotiations:* Students team up to represent countries that are negotiating trade agreements.
- *Debate:* Students learn the effects of international trade on domestic industries and lobby for their assigned group's interests.
- *Mapping Regions:* Students have the opportunity to explore the world's geography, regional development and how physical attributes of geography affect trade.
- *In the News:* Newspaper articles introduce students to key past and current events in trade.
- *Timelines in Trade:* Students examine the history of U.S. and international trade agreements and engage in activities aimed at improving their understanding of global trade.
- *Matching Exercises:* Students enhance their comprehension of new trade terms by completing matching exercises.

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Here's what some teachers have said about using WIIT Trust's Lessons on trade in their classrooms:

"WIIT's lesson plans on international trade allowed my students to explore topics that touch their lives everyday, in a way that fits into their curriculum."

Students at Largo High School said:

"Thanks for visiting our class. You are a true inspiration."

"All of your information was informative. We had a lot of fun with your activities!"

"You and your guests...did a great job with helping us with international trade. I cannot wait for your return!"