



LET'S TALK ABOUT CORN (K-3RD)

Fun Facts About Corn

- Farmers grow corn on every continent except Antarctica.
- One bushel of corn will sweeten more than 400 cans of Coca-Cola.
- There are about 800 kernels in 16 rows on each ear of corn.
- The corncob (ear) is actually part of the corn plant's flower.
- The main ingredient in most dry pet food is corn.
- Corn is America's number one field crop. Corn leads all other crops in value and volume of production.
- A pound of corn consists of approximately 1,300 kernels.
- Corn is used to produce fuel alcohol. Fuel alcohol makes gasoline burn cleaner, reducing air pollution, and it doesn't pollute the water.

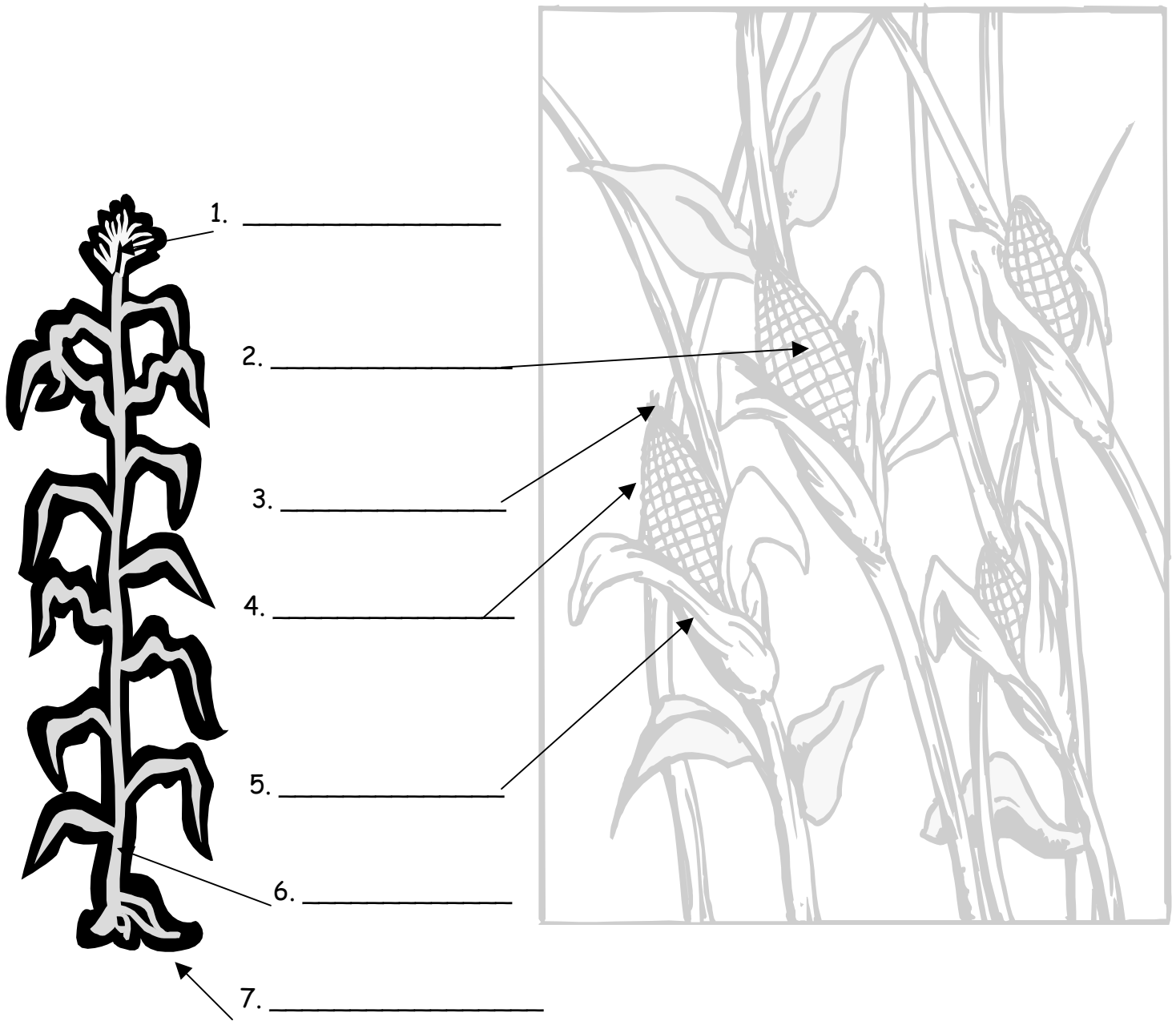
Corn Word Scramble - Unscramble the words below to discover some of the things that have corn products in them

- nroc sekalf c _ _ _ f _ a _ _ _ ~ You can eat these for breakfast (best when eaten with milk)
- cei earcm _ c _ _ _ _ m ~ I scream, you scream, we all scream for . . .
- acco oalc _ o _ _ c _ _ _ ~ The best soda in the world that is bottled here in Chattanooga
- nuteap ttreub p _ _ _ u _ _ _ t _ _ r ~ Paired with jelly, it makes a delicious sandwich
- upchket _ _ t _ _ u _ ~ Most people eat it on their french-fries
- mallmarowsh m _ _ _ _ a _ _ _ w ~ This makes S'mores yummy
- golansie g _ _ o _ _ _ _ ~ Fuel for your car
- etp odfo _ e _ f _ _ _ ~ Your doggy eats it for dinner

Parts of a Corn Plant

- Ear or Cob: protected by a husk of tightly wrapped leaves
- Kernels: the plant's seed and the part you eat
- Husk: the tightly-wrapped leaves that cover the ear of corn
- Roots: these go deep into the soil and carry food and water to the corn plant
- Silk: long soft threads at the top of the ear of corn
- Stalk: the stem of a corn plant
- Tassel: the flower at the very top of the plant

Label the Parts of the Corn Plant



ANSWERS:

Word Scramble ~ corn flakes, ice cream, Coca Cola, peanut butter, ketchup, marshmallow, gasoline, pet food

Label the Parts of a Corn Plant ~ 1. tassel, 2. kernel, 3. silk, 4. ear, 5. husk, 6. stalk, 7. root