

NAFTA Video Questions Answers

Directions: Read the questions below. Then, watch the YouTube video titled, "NAFTA explained by avocados. And shoes."

1. How did NAFTA change how Americans eat?

We were able to import new foods, like avocados, for Americans to eat.

2. Why were products like avocados considered a "win-win"?

Imported goods helped the Mexican and Canadian economies and Americans got new products to enjoy.

3. Before NAFTA why were products made in Mexico by cheaper labor the same price as the ones made in the U.S.?

The imported products were taxed with a tariff which made them about the same price or more expensive as products made in the U.S.

4. What happens when two countries can both make the same product but one has cheaper labor and there is no tax applied to the product?

Many low skill manufacturing jobs might leave the country.

5. If a manufacturing plant closes, how might that impact the town it is in?

Businesses that rely on workers from the factory might also close.

6. By whom and how were the pros of NAFTA felt?

A lot of people across America were positively impacted a little bit. For example, many Americans now enjoy avocados or shoes from Mexico.

7. By whom and how were the cons of NAFTA felt?

A relatively small group of people across America felt most of the pain. For example, factories employing relatively small groups of people closed. The people working at those factories lost their jobs and towns and cities lost consumers.

