

While they may not be the first name you think of when you hear the word “chocolate”, the Fry brand has been around longer than any other in England.

The story of one of the most famous chocolate families in Britain began with Joseph Fry in 1753. He had just trained as a doctor and opened a small business in Bristol. It was in the port (one of the busiest in the world at the time) that he saw the sailors returning from the New World with obscure brown beans - cacao.

Fry was convinced that these cacao or cocoa beans had amazing health properties, and he began to sell them. Soon, he upgraded his factories, and by 1777 he was producing the best hot chocolate powder in Britain.

It wasn't until Fry's grandsons took over the business in 1835 that they discovered what we would know as chocolate today. By mixing cocoa with sugar and cocoa fat, they could mould it into a bar.

In 1919, Frys became part of the Cadbury brand, and the name Fry was removed from all products in 1981. However, many people will still recognise the name Fry as being synonymous with chocolate.

FOCUS ON - WORD

1 Circle the most formal option from each box to complete the sentence.

It was in the port that Joseph Fry **saw** the sailors **getting off** boats from the New World.

↑
spotted
observed
looked at

↑
coming off
walking off
disembarked from

2 Which word is a synonym for the word underlined in the sentence below?

Tick **one** box.

Soon he upgraded his factories.

- ☐ sold
- ☐ unloaded
- ☐ created
- ☐ improved

3 Match the prefix to a word to create four new words.
Use each prefix and word only once.

mis

re

un

over

opened

convinced

hear

producing

FOCUS ON - SENTENCE

1 Replace the underlined word with a different coordinating conjunction.

Fry was convinced that these cacao or cocoa beans had amazing health properties, and he began to sell them.

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2 Insert a relative clause into the sentence below.

Joseph Fry, _____, opened a small business in Bristol.

3 Circle all the modal verbs.

Fry's grandsons discovered what we would know as chocolate today as they realised that mixing cocoa with sugar and cocoa fat, they could mould it into a bar.

4 What grammatical term is given to the words underlined in the sentence below?

Fry was producing the best hot chocolate powder in Britain.

5 Change this active sentence into a passive sentence.

Cadbury removed the name of Fry from all products.

FOCUS ON - TEXT

1 Write a subordinating conjunction in each of the spaces.

_____ opening his small business, Fry trained to be a doctor.
_____ on a visit to the port, he noticed sailors were returning with cacao beans. _____ he believed they had amazing health properties, he starting selling them.

since

before

while

2 Replace the underlined nouns with pronouns.

Frys became part of the Cadbury brand and Cadbury removed the name Fry from all Cadbury's products.

3 Insert a coordinating conjunction.

Fry might not be the name you think of when you hear the word 'chocolate', _____ the Fry brand has been around longer than any other in England.

4 Which option complete the sentence past perfect tense? Tick one.

Fry's grandsons _____ that when the cocoa was mixed with sugar and cocoa fat, it could be moulded into a bar.

- ☐ have discovered
- ☐ has discovered
- ☐ had discovered
- ☐ discovered

FOCUS ON - PUNCTUATION

1 Re-write the sentence below, replacing the brackets with a different punctuation mark.

It was in the port (one of the busiest in the world at the time) that he saw the sailors returning from the New World with obscure brown beans.

2 Re-write this sentence using bullet points.

Fry's grandsons made chocolate by using cocoa, sugar and cocoa fat.

To make chocolate, use:

3 Which sentence has been punctuated correctly?

Tick one.

- ☐ Sailors were arriving back from the New World with something extraordinary — brown cacao beans.
- ☐ Sailors were arriving back from the New World — with something extraordinary brown cacao beans.
- ☐ Sailors were arriving back from the New World with — something extraordinary brown cacao beans.
- ☐ Sailors were arriving back — from the New World with something extraordinary brown cacao beans.

4 Insert two hyphens in the correct places in the sentence below.
Chocolate is well known for not being sugar free.



Answers - JS Fry

WORD

1. It was in the port that Joseph Fry **observed** the sailors **disembarking from** boats from the New World.
2. 4th option – improved
3. mishear
reopened
unconvinced
overproducing

SENTENCE

1. Fry was convinced that these cacao or cocoa beans had amazing health properties, so he began to sell them.
2. E.g. Joseph Fry, who had trained as a doctor, opened a small business in Bristol.
Joseph Fry, who produced the best hot chocolate powder in Britain, opened a small business in Bristol.
3. Fry's grandsons discovered what we **would** know as chocolate today as they realised that mixing cocoa with sugar and cocoa fat, they **could** mould it into a bar.
4. expanded noun phrase
5. The name Fry was removed from all products by Cadbury.

TEXT

1. **Before** opening his small business, Fry trained to be a doctor. **While** on a visit to the port, he noticed sailors were returning with cacao beans. **Since** he believed they had amazing health properties, he started selling them.
2. Frys became part of the Cadbury brand and **they** removed the name Fry from all **their** products.
3. Fry might not be the name you think of when you hear the word 'chocolate', **but/yet** the Fry brand has been around longer than any other in England.
4. 3rd option – had discovered

PUNCTUATION

1. It was in the port, one of the busiest in the world at the time, that he saw the sailors returning from the New World with obscure brown beans.
It was in the port — one of the busiest in the world at the time — that he saw the sailors returning from the New World with obscure brown beans.
2. Fry's grandsons made chocolate by using cocoa, sugar and cocoa fat.
To make chocolate, use:
 - cocoa
 - sugar
 - cocoa fat
3. 1st option – Sailors were arriving back from the New World with something extraordinary — brown cacao beans.
4. Chocolate is well-known for not being sugar-free.