A to Z

A California Alphabet & Coloring Book

These crops all grow in California!

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Fun fact: It takes two pounds of apples to make a pie.
Fun fact: Moms have been telling kids to eat broccoli for 2,000 years.
Fun fact: Corn is really a tall grass.
Fun fact: The date palm was brought to the US (on a large scale) in the 1890's.
Fun fact: It takes a hen 24 to 26 hours to produce an egg. Just 30 minutes later, she starts all over again.
Fun fact: Figs were probably one of the first fruits to be dried and stored by people.
Fun fact: Cloves of garlic were found in King Tutankhamen’s tomb.
Fun fact: A honey bee flies about 15 miles per hour.
iceberg lettuce

Fun fact: The ancient Greeks believed that lettuce made you sleepy so they served it at the end of the meal.
Fun fact: Did you know that a serving of 100% fruit juice is $\frac{3}{4}$ of a cup?
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Kiwifruit

Fun fact: Kiwifruit first came from China.
Fun fact: Almost all lemons grown in the US come from California and Arizona.
Fun fact: In old Ireland, people thought mushrooms were umbrellas for leprechauns.
Fun fact: A nectarine is a fuzzless variety of peach.
Fun fact: It is not the strong odor of the onion that makes us cry, but the gas that the onion releases.
Fun fact: Dried plums used to be called prunes – but now they’re dried plums.
Fun fact: A quince is not edible when raw.

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Fun fact: More than 1 billion people throughout the world grow rice.
Fun fact: If all the strawberries produced in California this year were laid berry to berry, they’d wrap around the world 15 times.
Fun fact: Tomatoes are a fruit, since it is the ripened ovary of a plant, but in 1893 the US Supreme Court ruled in the case of "NIX v. HEDDEN" tomatoes were to be considered vegetables.
Fun fact: Some farmers run U-Pick farms where you can go and gather your own apples, peaches or other fruit.
Fun fact: A few California farmers grow and sell African Violets.
Fun fact: Most US-grown walnuts grow in California.
Fun fact: Antioxidants in fruits and vegetables protect our cells.

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Fun fact: Yolo County, California grows processing tomatoes, grapes, rice, alfalfa hay and seed crops.
Fun fact: Zinfandel grapes are red grapes used to make wine.