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| **NSE worksheet** | | | **Easy** |
| **Father of Rice** | | |  |
| **Strand of NSE |** | Strand 7: Major domains of national security | | |
| **Major field of national security |** | | Food Security | |

Watch the video and answer the questions.

[Video](https://youtu.be/J2-bsHlnW-Y?si=MePiUmI97-VTilWG)



1. Who is Yuan Longping?

⭘ A. A scientist

⭘ B. A teacher

2. Yuan Longping finds a new type of \_\_\_\_\_ .

⭘ A. vegetable

⭘ B. rice

3. Yuan Longping’s discovery is important to China. True or false?

⭘ A. True

⭘ B. False

4. Fewer people are \_\_\_\_\_ because of Yuan Longping’s work.

⭘ A. happy

⭘ B. hungry

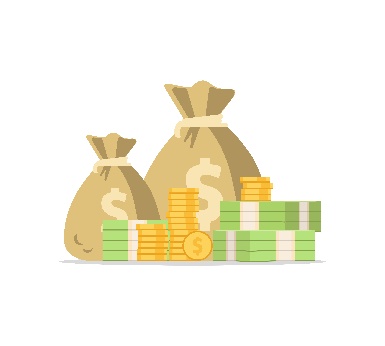
5. People now plant Yuan Longping’s rice in \_\_\_\_\_ .

⭘ A. China only

⭘ B. China and many other countries

6. Yuan Longping wins \_\_\_\_ for his important work.

⭘ A. a medal ⭘ B. money

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| **NSE worksheet** | | | **Intermediate** |
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Read the passage and answer the questions.

Rice is very important in China. It is a major kind of food for us. It grows in fields. Farmers work hard to grow rice. They plant rice seeds in the soil. They water the rice plants.

A scientist named Yuan Longping (袁隆平)

helped farmers grow more rice. People call him the ‘Father of Rice’ in China. Yuan Longping studied rice plants and found new ways to make rice plants grow better. Farmers can grow more rice to feed more people because of his work. His work is very important.

We should be grateful for the rice we eat. Farmers and people like Yuan Longping work hard to grow rice for us.

1. What food does the passage talk about?

⭘ A. Vegetables

⭘ B. Rice

⭘ C. Corn

2. Where does rice grow?

⭘ A. fields

⭘ B. gardens

⭘ C. forests

3. Why is rice very important in China?

⭘ A. China sells a lot of rice to the world.

⭘ B. Rice is a major kind of food for Chinese people.

⭘ C. Rice is the only food farmers grow in China.

4. Yuan Longping helped farmers \_\_\_\_\_\_ .

⭘ A. eat more rice

⭘ B. become healthy

⭘ C. grow more rice

5. What do people in China call Yuan Longping?

⭘ A. ‘Rice King’

⭘ B. ‘Father of Farmer’

⭘ C. ‘Father of Rice’

6. We should be \_\_\_\_\_\_ for our food.

⭘ A. grateful

⭘ B. wasteful

⭘ C. lucky



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Read the passage and answer the questions.

Rice is very important in China. It is a major kind of food for us. Farmers need to grow a lot of rice for everyone. However, China is a large nation. It is a challenge to grow enough rice to feed all the people in China.

In the 1960s, a scientist named Yuan Longping (袁隆平) started thinking of ways to grow more rice in China. He studied different kinds of rice and found a new mix of rice types. This new mix could grow more rice than the old ones. Besides, it could withstand pests and bad weather in a better way. As a result, China was able to feed more people!

Yuan Longping’s work was a big discovery in growing rice. His new rice helped China grow more rice. Because of his success, people started to call him the ‘Father of Rice’ in China.

Thanks to Yuan Longping’s work, China can grow enough rice for everyone. We should be thankful to farmers and people like Yuan Longping and not waste our food!

1. Why is rice important in China?

⭘ A. It is easy to grow.

⭘ B. It is a major kind of food in China.

⭘ C. It is the only food in China.

2. What was the problem with growing rice in China?

⭘ A. There were not enough farmers.

⭘ B. The weather was not good for growing rice.

⭘ C. It was hard to grow enough rice for all the people.

3. Who is Yuan Longping?

⭘ A. A farmer

⭘ B. A rice seller

⭘ C. A scientist

4. What did Yuan Longping do to grow more rice?

⭘ A. He found a new kind of soil.

⭘ B. He found a new mix of rice types.

⭘ C. He brought rice from other countries.

5. How different was the new mix of rice from the old ones?

The new mix could \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . It could also withstand pests and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ better.

6. Why did people call Yuan Longping the ‘Father of Rice’?

⭘ A. He was the oldest rice farmer.

⭘ B. He was the first person to grow rice.

⭘ C. He made a big discovery in growing more rice.

7. Which of the following words is the opposite of ‘success’?

⭘ A. experiment

⭘ B. failure

⭘ C. discovery

8. How should we be for having food?

We should be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .



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Father of Rice**

**ANSWERS**

**Easy**

1. A 2. B 3. A 4. B 5. B 6. A

**Intermediate**

1. B 2. A 3. B 4. C 5. C 6. A

**Advanced**

1. B 2. C 3. C 4. B 5. grow more rice, bad weather

6. C 7. B 8. thankful (Accept any reasonable answers.)