

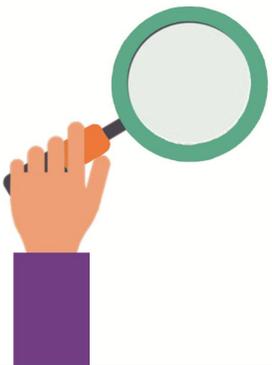
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Finding Common
Food Allergens
in Still Life Paintings

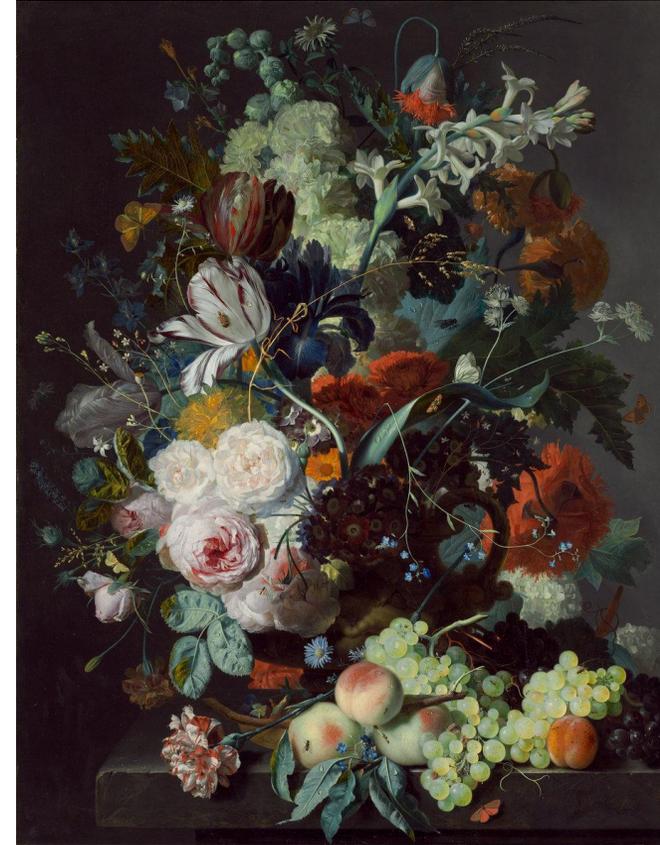
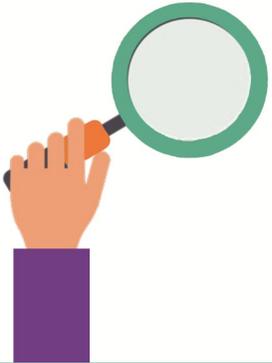
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Today, you and your classmates will use observation skills to detect common **food allergens** in **still life** paintings.



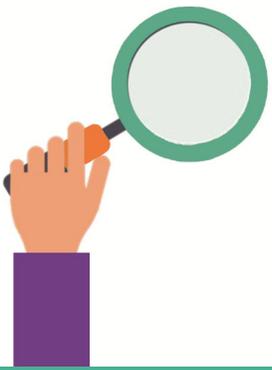
What is a Still Life?

- A **still life** is a work of art. A **still life** shows objects that cannot move.
- An artist will often show **fruit** or **flowers** in their **still life**.



What is a Food Allergen?

- A food allergen is any food that someone's body mistakes as harmful.
 - There are 9 common food allergens.
- Milk
 - Egg
 - Peanut
 - Tree nut
 - Fish
 - Shellfish
 - Wheat
 - Soy
 - Sesame



Your Mission Begins Now!

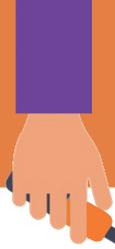
Look carefully at the following paintings for any evidence of **food allergens**.

Stay alert for suspicious foods that may have **hidden food allergens**.

Good Luck, Detectives!









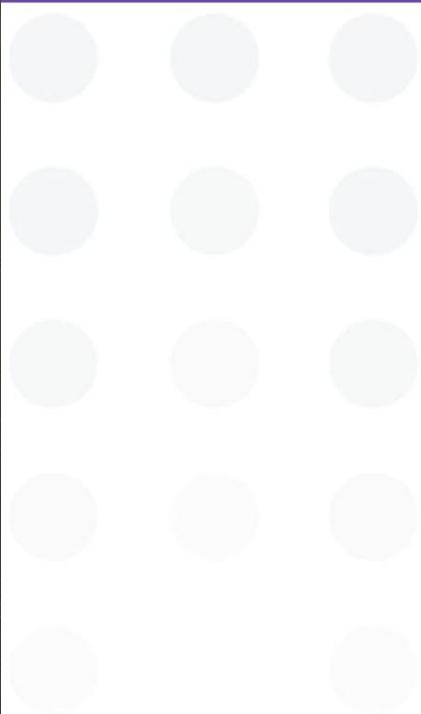


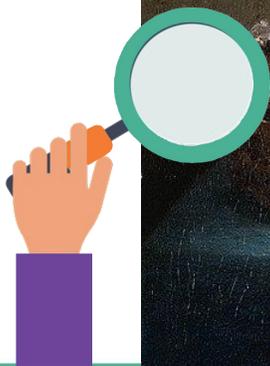












How successful were you, Detectives?



Let's Debrief!

Still Life with Fruit and Nuts

1848, oil on board



Common Allergens:

- Peanuts
- Almonds, walnuts, brazil nuts and hazelnuts are four kinds of **tree nuts**.

Still Life with Fruit, Fish and a Nest

c.1675, oil on canvas

Mignon, Abraham, German, 1640-1679



- **Common Allergens**

- Fish
- Egg

Still Life with Oysters and Grapes

Holland 1653, oil on wood

Jan Davidsz de Heem (Holland, active Flounders, Antwerp), 1606-1684



- Common Allergens
- The oysters are a type of shellfish.

Still Life with Figs and Bread

c. 1770, oil on canvas

Melendez, Luis, Spanish, 1715-1780



- **Common Allergens**
- The bread is suspicious! It likely contains **wheat**. It could also contain other **hidden allergens**.
- There is an old-fashioned butter maker in this painting called a butter churn. Butter contains **milk**. Do you think there could be butter in this still life even though you can't see it?

Fun Fact: When the National Gallery of Art took an x-ray of this painting they discovered something amazing! Do you see the figs in the bottom right corner? The x-ray showed that the artist had originally painted a hunk of cheese and some berries. What allergen does cheese contain?

Still Life with Herring, Wine and Bread

1647, oil on wood

Claesz, Pieter, Holland, 1596/96-1660



- Common Allergens
- Herring is a type of **fish**.
- The bread probably contains **wheat** and might have other **hidden allergens** baked inside.
- The walnuts and hazelnuts are **tree nuts**.

Still Life, Apples and Chestnuts

1859, oil on board

John F. Francis (United States, Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, 1808-1886)



- Common Allergens
- Chestnuts are a tree nut.

Banquet Still Life

1667 oil on canvas

Abraham van Beyeren (Holland 1620/21 – 1690)



- Common Allergens
- The lobster and the oysters are **shellfish**.
- More Fun: Can you find the small mouse in this painting?

Still Life with Cheeses, Artichoke, and Cherries

Holland circa 1625, oil on wood

Clara Peeters (Flanders, Antwerp, circa 1594-after1639/before1657)



- Common Allergens
- Each of the cheeses contain **milk**.
- The bread is suspicious and likely contains **wheat**.

Dessert Still Life

1855

John F. Francis, American, 1808-1886



- **Common Allergens**

- **Milk**

- Look at all of the suspicious desserts!
Cake! Cookies! Muffins!
Many common allergens could be hiding inside these desserts such as **egg, milk, wheat, peanuts and tree nuts.**

The Milkmaid

1660

Johannes Vermeer, Dutch, 1632-1675



- **Common Allergens**

- **Milk**

- The bread probably contains **wheat** and might have other **hidden allergens** baked inside.

- The bread has **sesame seeds** on top of it.

Excellent Work, Detectives!



• Case Closed!

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