





### To finish:

Go back through the chocolates that you have sampled with the notes you have made. *Which one did you like the best? What did you like about it? Which one didn't you like? Why didn't you like it?*

### Some chocolate facts:

Chocolate was first cultivated and consumed by the ancient Maya of Mesoamerica (South America). They used cacao beans to make a liquid drink. It came to Europe via the Spanish, who by the 16th century had colonised many areas of South America.

Enslaved people were often used in the production of chocolate.

Chocolate first became popular in England during the Georgian Period (1714-1837) which covered the reigns of monarchs George I, George II, George III, George IV and often William IV.

The Georgians drank their chocolate and it was a hugely popular drink for the upper and then middle classes. Most cities had Chocolate Houses where the upper classes could enjoy the beverage.

In 1759 the first commercial chocolate company was founded by Joseph Fry, a Quaker from Bristol. Fry's would go on to manufacture and sell the first solid chocolate bar but not until 1847, so the poor Georgians never got to know the wonder of eating a piece of chocolate!

