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# Find the Evidence

Can you find the PROOF for your answers? Use a crayon in the color shown to underline where you found each answer in the text.

## Pumpkins

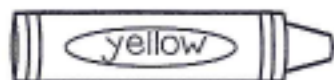
Pumpkins are members of the squash family. This North American fruit is used for many things.

Pumpkins are a popular fall item. Their orange color makes them a popular decoration, and many people carve jack-o-lanterns out of pumpkins near Halloween. Traditional Thanksgiving meals in the United States also include pumpkin pie. Pumpkin flavor is so well-liked that it is put in coffee drinks! Sometimes, people will compete in contests to "chuck" a pumpkin a long way with machines.

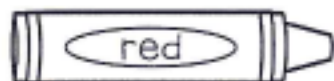
Pumpkins are grown on every continent except Antarctica. Pumpkin seeds are usually planted in early July and prefer warm weather and plenty of water. Pumpkin seeds grow into vines. When the vines grows flowers, a bee pollinates them so pumpkins can begin to grow. Pumpkins are almost always small, but they can grow to be huge. In fact, a man named Ron Wallace grew the world's heaviest pumpkin at 2,009 pounds! Now *that's* a lot of pie!



Who grew the world's heaviest pumpkin?



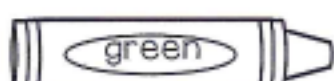
What family do pumpkins belong to?



Where can pumpkins not grow?



Why is pumpkin flavor even used in drinks?



How do bees help pumpkin plants?



When are pumpkin seeds usually planted?