This activity can be used with children aged 7-8. It encourages them to read for meaning, locate information and utilises comprehension skills.

Banana Splits

Read the text Banana Splits and answer the questions.

A banana split is a desert made from banana and ice-cream. It was invented in America in 1904 and was served in a long dish called a boat.

To make a classic banana split peel a banana and halve it lengthwise. Then place it in the boat. Put one scoop each of vanilla, chocolate and strawberry ice-cream on top of the banana. Next, pour chocolate sauce over the chocolate ice-cream, pineapple sauce over the vanilla ice-cream and strawberry sauce over the strawberry ice-cream. Finally, decorate it with nuts, cherries and whipped cream.

I. Where and when was the banana split invented?

2. What ingredients do you need to decorate a classic banana split?

3. What is placed on top of the banana?

5. How should the banana be cut for a banana split?

6. To make a classic banana split you will need a special bowl. What is it called?