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Ag in the Classroom Book of the Month



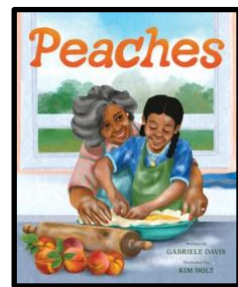
Peaches

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Side by side with Daddy and Grandma, a young girl is determined to take part in her family's tradition of baking the perfect peach cobbler—just like her mama used to.

From picking fruit to stirring and mixing to kneading the dough, it's a little bit messy. But with sure hands to guide the girl step-by-step—and her mother's memory hanging sweet in the air—she has the recipe for making Mama proud.

This warmhearted and ultimately hopeful picture book shows that with a house full of love, everything can feel peach-perfect.



Fun Facts:

- Georgia is nicknamed the "Peach State," but it ranks third in U.S. peach production, behind California and South Carolina. However, Georgia peaches are famous for their sweetness and quality!
- Georgia's hot summers, cool winters, and well-drained soil create the perfect environment for growing juicy peaches.
- Peaches are harvested in Georgia from mid-May through August, with peak season in July.
- Georgia farmers grow more than 40 different varieties of peaches, including Clingstone and Freestone types.
- Peaches were first introduced to Georgia by Franciscan monks in the 1500s, but they didn't become a major crop until the 1800s.
- In 2022, Georgia harvested approximately 24,800 tons of peaches!
- Most peach varieties need around 800 to 1000 chill hours (hours below 45 degrees Fahrenheit) to break dormancy and produce fruit, but the exact amount varies by variety.

Videos:

- [AgVentures to Gregg Farms in Pike County](#)
- [Georgia Peaches: From Picking to Packing](#)
- [Why Georgia Peaches? \(Pearson Farm\)](#)
- [What Makes a GA Peach So Special?](#)
- [Georgia Grown Peaches- Video by Georgia Grown](#)

Activities:

- Lessons: [Freshest Fruits \(K-2\)](#) | [Peaches: What's All the Fuzz About? \(3-5\)](#)
- [Tree Fruits Flowchart](#): This three-page informational sheet describes the process of how tree fruit crops are grown and harvested, how the products get from the farm to the store, and nutrition facts.
- Recipes: [Easy Peach Cream Pie](#) | [Peach Fluff Salad](#) | [Peaches and Cream Salad](#)
- Printables: [Color Page](#) | [Bookmark](#)
- [Peach Craft Using Tissue Paper](#)
- [Peach Ornament](#)
- [42 Page Activity Book](#) all about peaches!

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