

Farms & Farming

1. Did you grow up on a farm? If not, have you ever visited a farm?
2. Describe farms in your home country. Compare them with farms in Canada.
3. What types of produce do farmers grow in your home province? What fruits, grains or vegetables are grown in other parts of your home country?
4. Do you know what an acre is? How many acres is the average farm in your home country compared with the average farm in Canada?
5. Which types of farm animals are the most common in your home country? Which types of farm animals are most common in North America?
6. Which farm animals do you think are the dirtiest? Which are the most profitable?
7. Would you like to be a farmer? Why or why not? What are the advantages and disadvantages of being a farmer?
8. Are farmers respected in your home country? Do you think it is possible for a farmer to be wealthy?
9. Have you ever bought any produce directly from a farm? What have you bought?
10. What is a hobby farm? Would you want to own a hobby farm? What would you grow? Would you raise animals? Which kinds?
11. What is the future of farming?
12. What incentives can the government provide to make sure we have enough farms in the future?
13. Do you have a large lot where you live? Do you, or would you ever, grow any food in your yard?
14. Which do you think is better, organic food, or genetically modified food?
15. Do you think that dairy farms are important? Name at least 3 products that come from dairy farms.
16. Are fish farms important? Why or why not? Do you ever eat salmon? Do you check to see if it is wild or farmed?
17. Canadians are concerned that good farmland is being taken over by land developers. How can Canada continue to have enough farmland but satisfy the needs of land developers?
18. What effects do you think climate change will have on our farms? How can we prevent problems?
19. Make sentences using the farming vocabulary in the table.

Meadow	Fallow	Farmhouse	Fertilizer	Goat	Honeybee
Tractor	Agriculture	Insecticide	Herd	Coop	tend