Kindergarten History/Social-Science Information

Hello Families!

The theme for Kindergarten in History/Social Science is
Learning and Working Now and Long Ago.

Students in kindergarten are introduced to basic spatial, temporal, and causal relationships, emphasizing the geographic and historical connections between the world today and the world long ago. The stories of ordinary and extraordinary people help describe the range and continuity of human experience and introduce the concepts of courage, self-control, justice, heroism, leadership, deliberation, and individual responsibility. Historical empathy for how people lived and worked long ago reinforces the concept of civic behavior: how we interact respectfully with each other, following rules, and respecting the rights of others.

The California History Social Science Framework, a tool that provides guidance on how to teach the History Social Science Content Standards, organizes grade level content around questions of significance these overarching questions for the school year that you can use to work with your student at home through discussions, picture books, stories and drawings over the next few weeks.

How can we learn and work together?
What does it mean to be an American?
How are our lives different from those who lived in the past? How are they the same?
What is our neighborhood like?

CALIFORNIA AGRICULTURE
FARMING IS EVERYWHERE

HELLO!

Think about your clothes, paper, shoes, toothpaste, and basketball. Do you ever wonder what these products have in common? They all come from agriculture. California farmers and ranchers produce more than 400 different crops that are made into the things that we use every day.

Today's farmers work very hard. Did you know that one farmer in the United States can produce enough food to feed 155 people?

Follow your hosts Farmer Joe and Farmer Maria through this coloring book to learn more about agriculture. Have fun seeing and coloring all that agriculture provides—it is more than you could ever imagine!
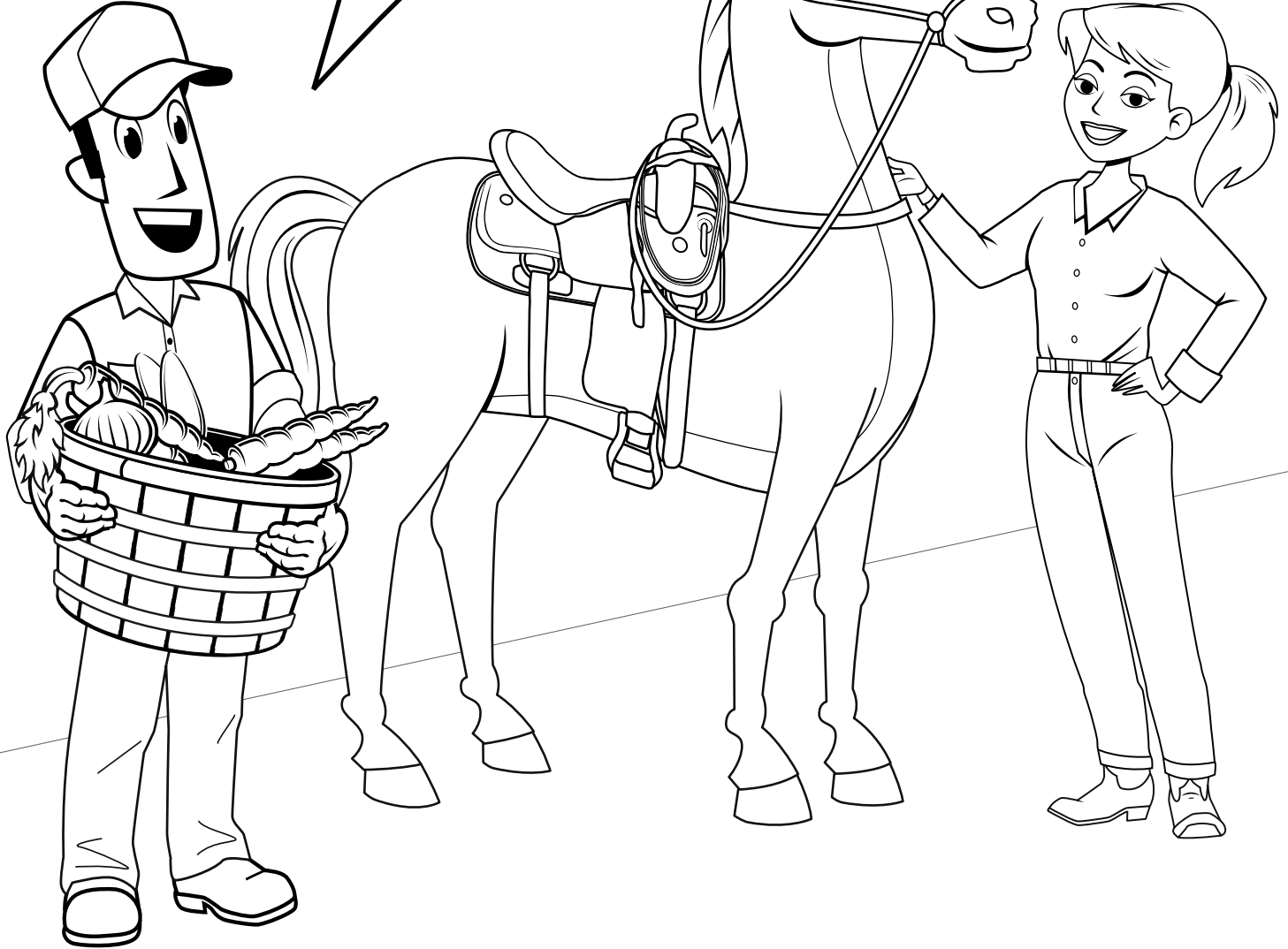
To learn more visit:
LearnAboutAg.org

California's Top 10 Commodities
Milk, Grapes, Almonds, Strawberries,
Cattle and Calves, Lettuce, Walnuts,
Tomatoes, Pistachios, Broilers

Hello there! My name is Farmer Joe, and this is Farmer Maria. Come along as we show you how we all depend on farming. It is all around you!
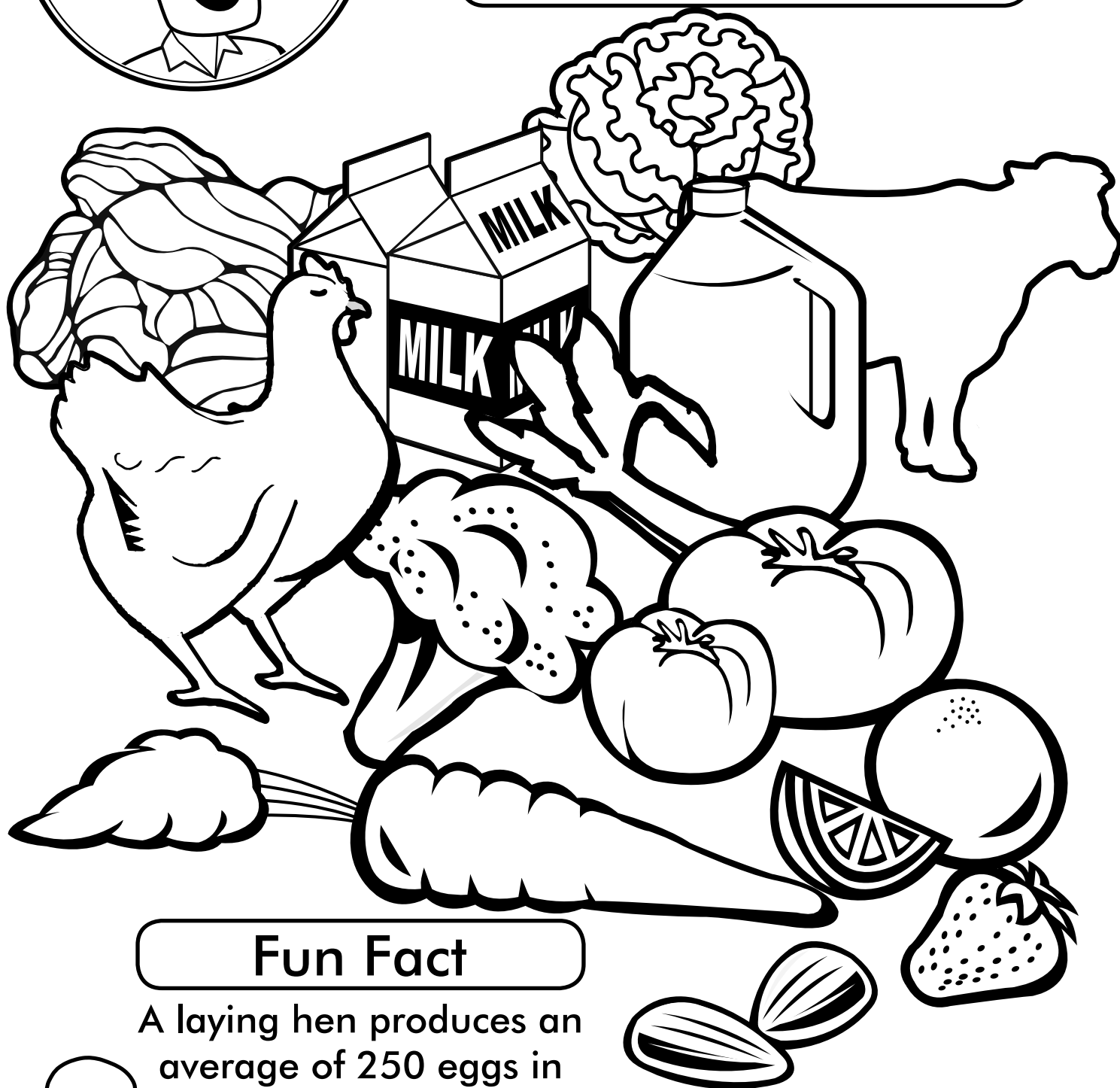
Here is an easy way to remember what agriculture is:

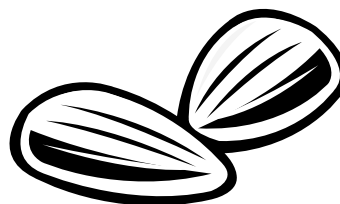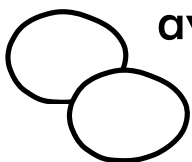## The Five F's

FOOD

FIBER

FUEL

FORESTS

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FOOD

Farmers and ranchers grow many different kinds of FOOD… from the strawberries growing in fields to the hamburger on your dinner plate.
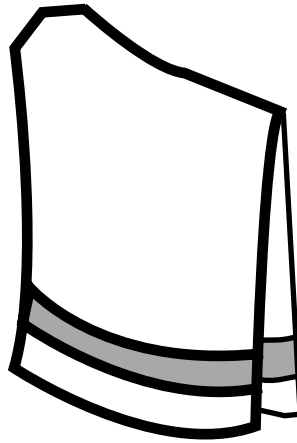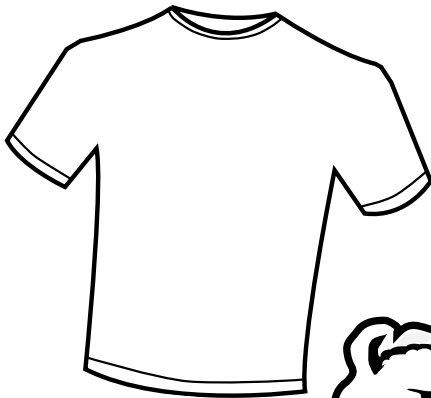
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Fun Fact

A laying hen produces an average of 250 eggs in one year.
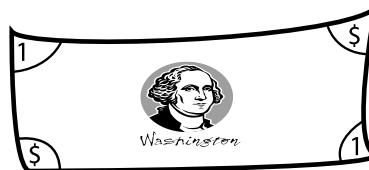
FIBER

Cotton from plants and wool from animals are types of textile fiber. Many products that we use every day are made from FIBER.
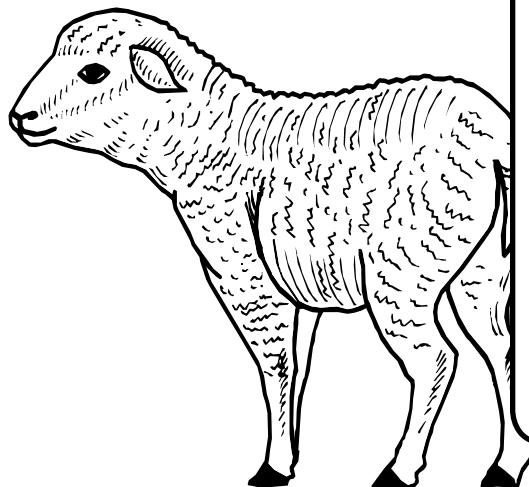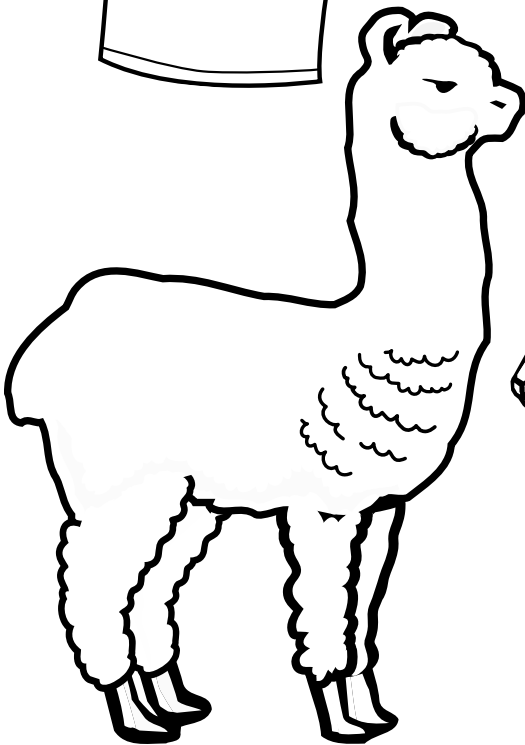
Cotton plants are used to make clothing such as jeans and household items such as towels.

Another plant that is used to produce fiber is flax which is used to make linen.
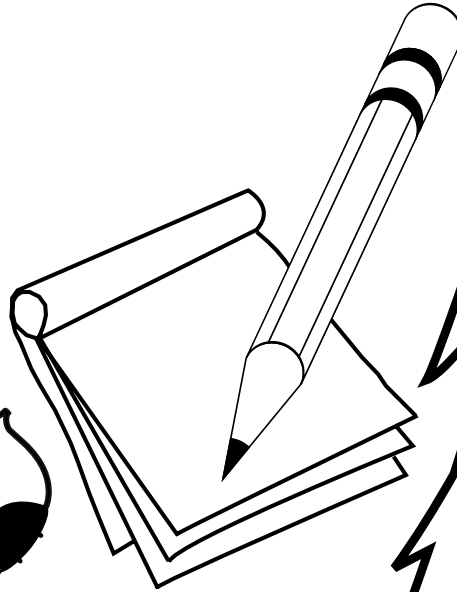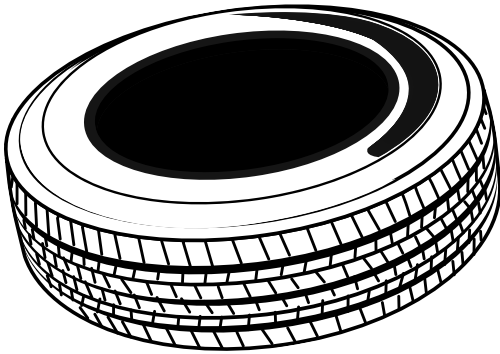
Some animal fur can be used to make textiles for the production of clothes and other household items. Animals that produce fiber include sheep, alpacas, llamas, and some goats.

FORESTS

Trees from FORESTS are used to make more than 5,000 products that we use everyday.

Trees are used to make:
Paper
Pencils
Wood
Cardboard boxes
Maple syrup
Firewood
Laundry soap
Tires
Cosmetics
Postage stamps
Baseball bats
Musical instruments
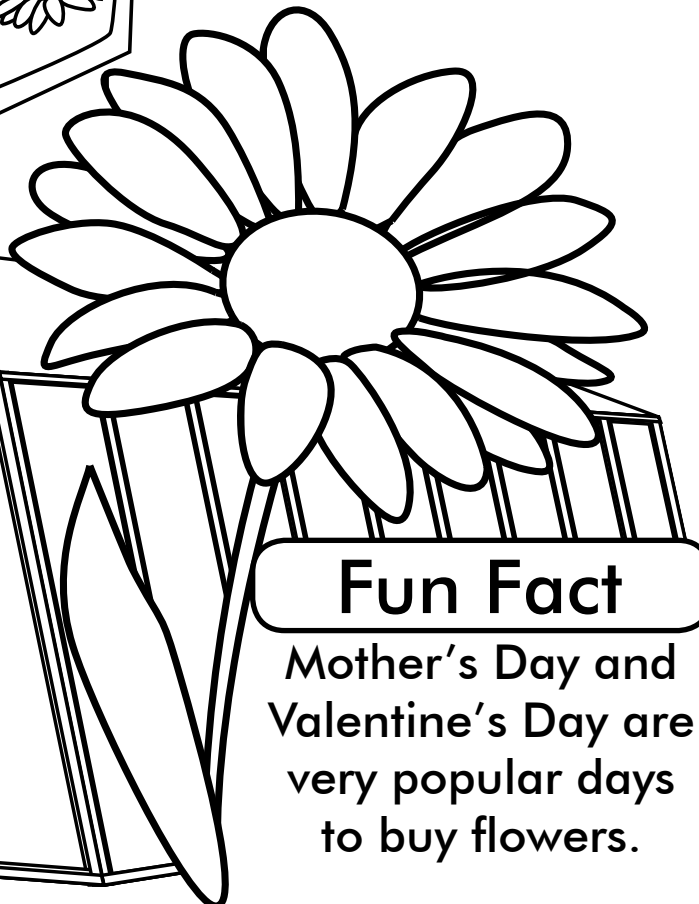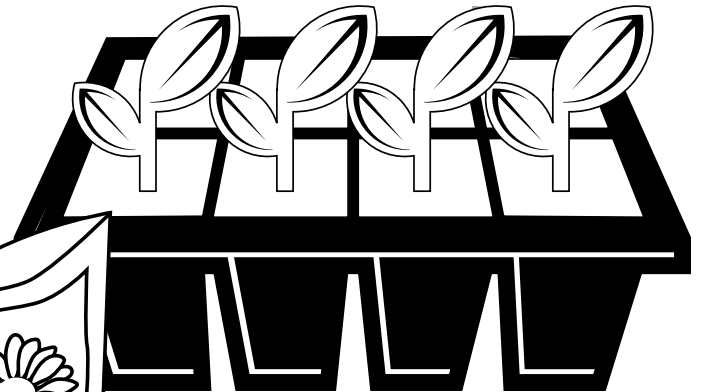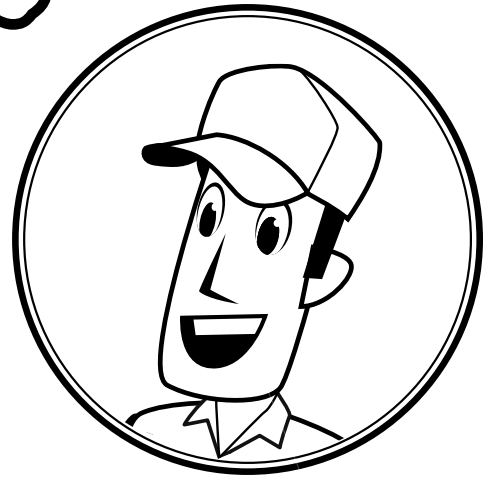Toothpaste
Nail polish
Chewing gum

Fun Fact

California forests are home to more than 4,000 native plants and 650 wildlife animals.

FLOWERS

FLOWERS are a big part of California agriculture. Cut flowers, fruit trees, nursery plants, and house plants are all a part of agriculture.

Fun Fact

Mother's Day and Valentine's Day are very popular days to buy flowers.

FUEL

FUEL can be used to make energy. There are many uses for energy on the farm. Cow manure can be made into FUEL that can heat or cool buildings, or provide lighting and electricity. Corn can be made into ethanol, which is used to fuel cars, trucks and tractors.
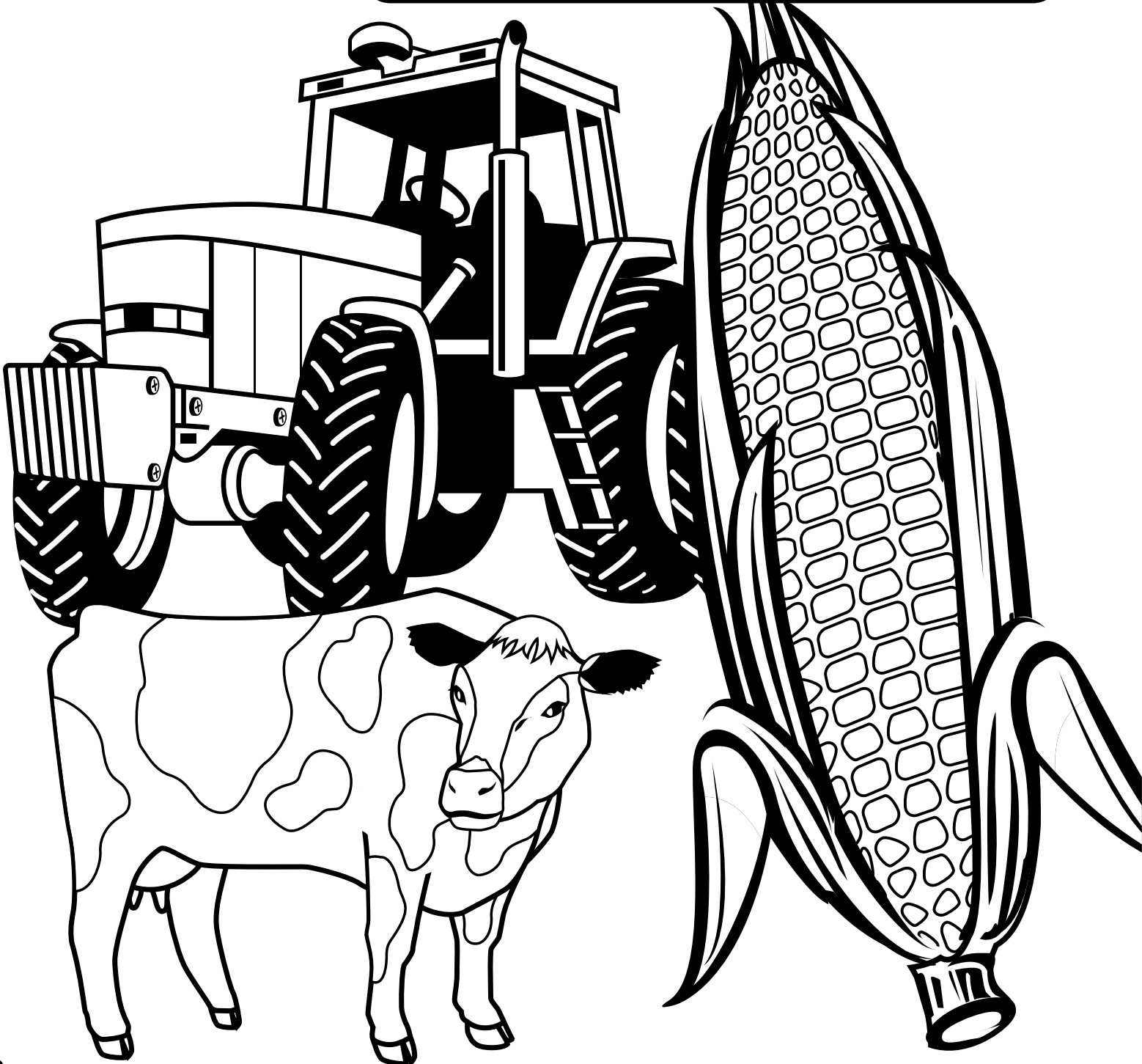
Activity

Match the product with the related "F."

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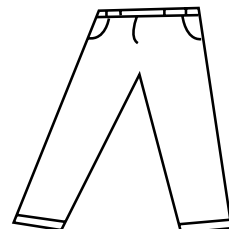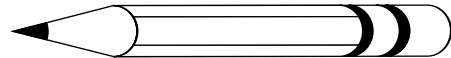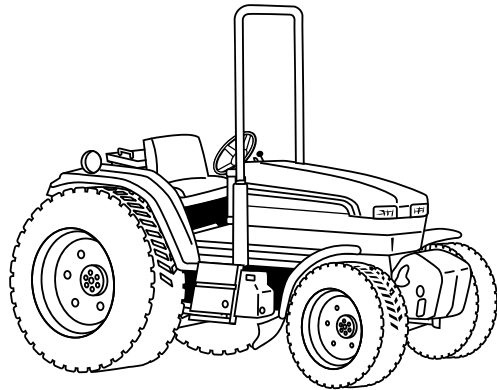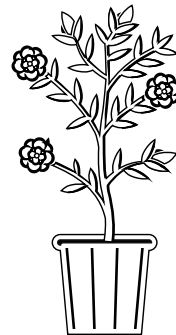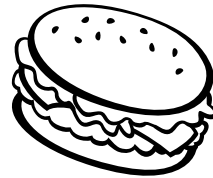
THERE'S A FARM IN MY PIZZA?

Follow the trail of how pizza is made, from the farm to the parlor.
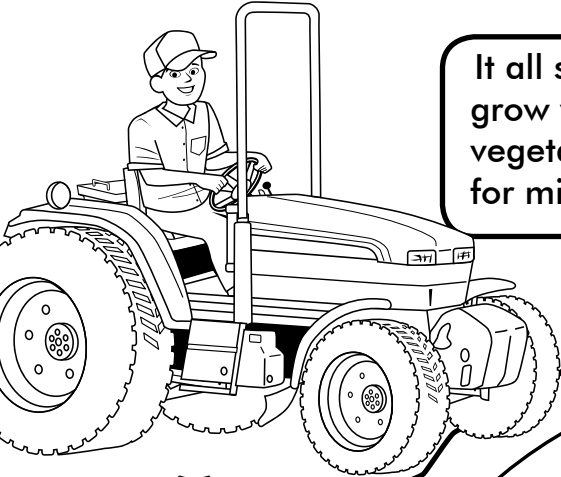
It all starts on the farm. FARMERS grow wheat, tomatoes, olives and vegetables. They raise dairy cows for milk and pigs for meat.

Color this pizza with your favorite toppings!

FARM WORKERS spend time growing and harvesting our food.
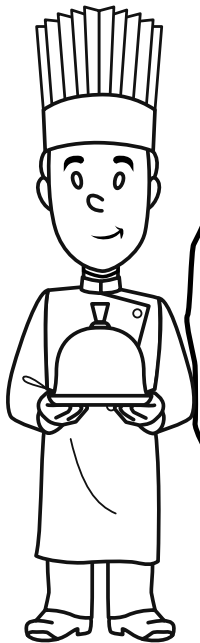
CHEFS cook the pizza—just the way you like it!

TRUCK DRIVERS transport the products to be processed.

WORKERS turn some products into the food people eat.

- Wheat is milled into flour for the crust.
- Tomatoes are cooked into sauce.
- Milk is made into cheese.
- Olives and vegetables are prepared and packaged.
- Sausage comes from pigs.

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FARMERS MARKETS

FARMERS MARKETS have existed since we began farming 10,000 years ago. Historically, when families produced more food than they needed, they would meet in the town square to sell or trade their excess commodities. Farmers Markets became a traditional way of selling local agricultural products.

How many items can you find that would be sold at a Farmers Market?

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S T U N L A W P U S S T D J T
C E L M S S E M G B E Y G R R
Q P T L H A I K V S K V X L K
T O J A C A B N O E O D I K F
F R A H N S A I D T H I D L S
H N E T M A H I J A C U T G O
R S Z U U C R H D D I F I G S
F I L Z A L A G T G T E R C P
Q P C T M A H L E G R R A K M
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Word Bag
ALMONDS
ARTICHOKES
DATES
FIGS
KIWIFRUIT
OLIVES
PEACHES
PISTACHIOS
PLUMS
POMEGRANATES
RAISINS
RICE
WALNUTS

FARMING IS EVERYWHERE

Top 3 Crops by County

Alameda Grapes, Cattle & Calves, Woody Ornamentals

Alpine Pasture & Range, Cattle, Hay

Amador Grapes, Cattle & Calves, Pasture

Butte Walnuts, Rice, Almonds

Calaveras Cattle & Calves, Poultry, Pasture

Colusa Almonds, Rice, Walnuts

Contra Costa Cattle & Calves, Tomatoes, Corn

Del Norte Milk, Cattle, Nursery

El Dorado Apples, Grapes, Cattle & Calves

Fresno Almonds, Poultry, Pistachios

Glenn Almonds, Walnuts, Rice

Humboldt Cattle & Calves, Milk, Nursery Products

Imperial Cattle & Calves, Lettuce, Alfalfa Hay

Inyo Cattle, Alfalfa Hay, Field Crops

Kern Grapes, Almonds, Milk

Kings Milk, Cotton, Cattle & Calves

Lake Grapes, Pears, Walnuts

Lassen Alfalfa Hay, Hay-other, Vegetables

Los Angeles Nursery Products, Vegetables, Field Crops

Madera Almonds, Milk, Pistachios

Marin Milk, Poultry, Pasture

Mariposa Cattle & Calves, Pasture, Livestock Products

Mendocino Grapes, Pears, Cattle & Calves

Merced Milk, Almonds, Chickens

Modoc Alfalfa Hay, Cattle & Calves, Potatoes

Mono Cattle & Calves, Alfalfa Hay, Sheep & Lambs

Monterey Strawberries, Lettuce, Broccoli

Napa Grapes, Cattle & Calves, Livestock Products

Nevada Heifers, Milk Cows, Vegetables

Orange Nursery Products, Strawberries, Vegetables

Placer Cattle & Calves, Nursery, Rice

Plumas Cattle, Pasture, Alfalfa Hay

Riverside Milk, Nursery Products, Grapes

Sacramento Grapes, Milk, Poultry

San Benito Vegetables, Lettuce, Peppers

San Bernardino Milk, Cattle & Calves, Eggs

San Diego Woody Ornamentals, Flowers, Nursery Plants

San Francisco Field Crops, Apiary Products

San Joaquin Grapes, Milk, Almonds

San Luis Obispo Grapes, Strawberries, Vegetables

San Mateo Nursery Plants, Brussels Sprouts, Flowers

Santa Barbara Strawberries, Broccoli, Grapes

Santa Clara Mushrooms, Nursery Products, Woody Ornamentals

Santa Cruz Strawberries, Raspberries, Blackberries

Shasta Hay, Nursery Products, Cattle

Sierra Cattle, Pasture, Alfalfa Hay

Siskiyou Nursery Plants, Alfalfa Hay, Cattle

Solano Walnuts, Nursery, Almonds

Sonoma Grapes, Milk, Poultry

Stanislaus Almonds, Milk, Chickens

Sutter Rice, Walnuts, Plums

Tehama Walnuts, Almonds, Olives
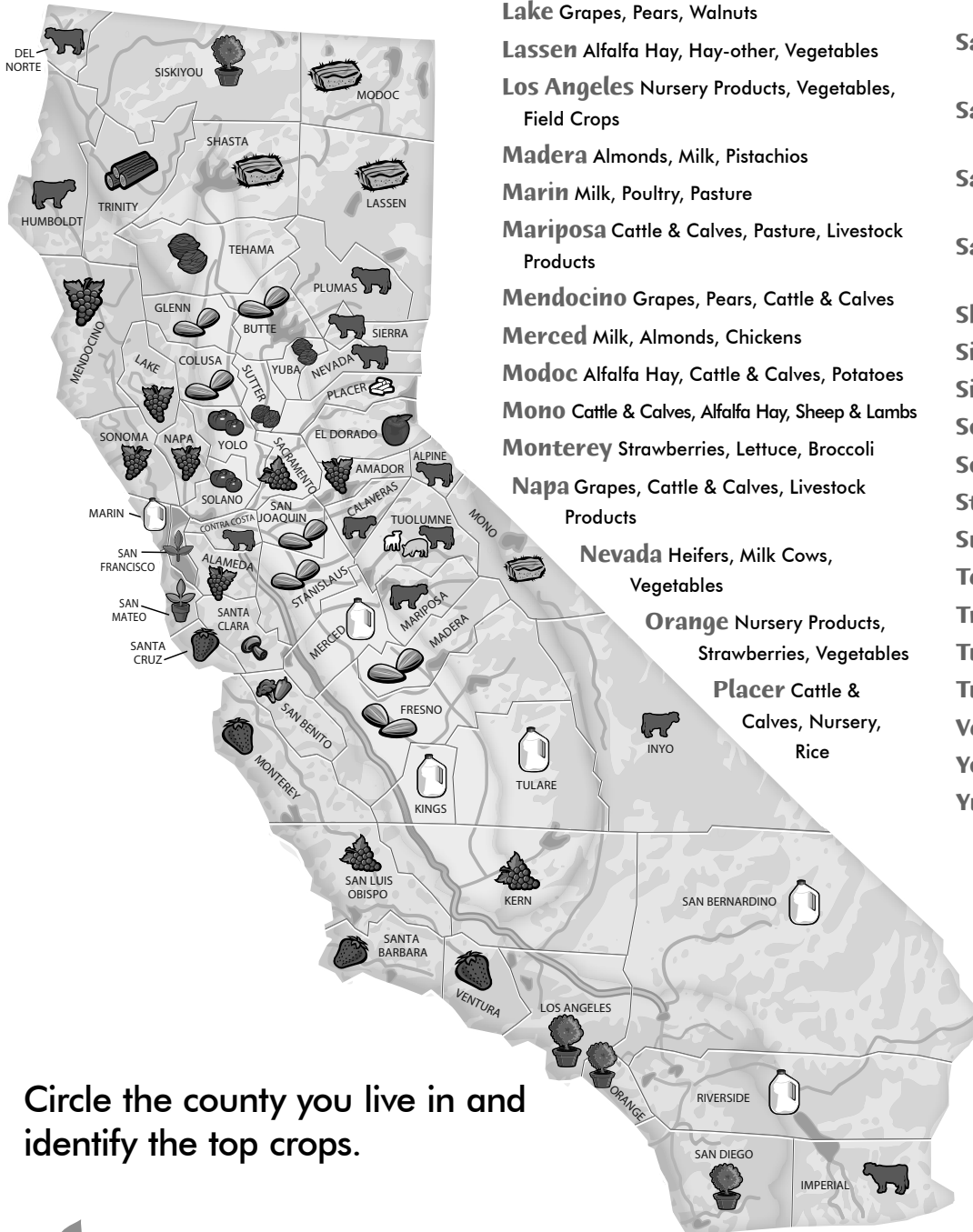
Trinity Range, Cattle, Irrigated Pasture

Tulare Milk, Grapes, Cattle & Calves

Tuolumne Livestock, Cattle, Pasture

Ventura Strawberries, Lemons, Celery

Yolo Almonds, Tomatoes, Grapes

Yuba Walnuts, Rice, Plums

Circle the county you live in and identify the top crops.

2017-2018 statistics information obtained from County Agricultural Commissioner Reports.

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