



WHAT IS AGRICULTURE?

Agriculture is the art and science of 1) cultivating the soil, growing crops and raising livestock.

Agriculture is the term for everything that goes into growing crops and raising animals, to provide food and materials that people can use. Farming, also includes plant science.

What Is Agricultural Production?

Agricultural production is the use of cultivated plants or animals to produce products for sustaining or enhancing human life. People use a great variety of agricultural products every day—these range from the clothes we wear to the paper we write on. We decorate with flowers often produced by agriculture and run our cars in part on ethanol produced by agriculture.

Agricultural production includes these activities:

- **Agriculture**: cultivating soil; planting; raising, and harvesting crops; rearing, feeding, and managing animals
- **Aquaculture**: raising private aquatic animals (fish)
- **Floriculture**: growing flowering plants
- **Horticulture**: growing fruits, vegetables, and plants
- **Maple syrup** harvesting (bees)
- **Silviculture**: growing and caring for fresh trees

Agricultural production does not include:

- Storing or preserving raw materials before the start of the production process
- Storing, preserving, handling, or moving finished goods.
- Storing or processing agricultural products at co-ops, grain elevators, dairies, or meatpackers
- Raising animals for personal use

Match with the meaning

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| 1. Cultivating the soil | A. Empacadores de carne |
| 2. Growing crops | B. Alimentar |
| 3. Raising animals | C. Manejo de animales |
| 4. Science | D. Horticultura (huerta) |
| 5. Agriculture | E. Floricultura (flores) |
| 6. Aquaculture | F. miel |
| 7. Floriculture | G. silvicultura (arboles) |
| 8. Horticulture | H. cosechar |
| 9. Syrup (bees) | I. sembrar |
| 10. Silviculture (trees) | J. acuacultura (peces) |
| 11. Plant | K. agricultura |
| 12. Harvest | L. cría de animales |
| 13. Feed | M. producción de cereales |
| 14. Manage animals | N. cultivo del suelo |
| 15. Grain elevator | O. producción láctea |
| 16. Dairies (milk) | P. elevadores de granos |
| 17. Meatpackers | Q. Ciencia |

Answer

- a) what is agriculture? _____
- b) what does agriculture include? _____
- c) what is Agricultural production? _____
- d) What things can you name we use from agriculture? _____
- e) which activities are not included in agricultural production? _____