## Family Farms Then & Now - Virtual Learning Adaption

## Target Grade Level: 4th grade

## Full Lesson Plan: <https://www.iowaagliteracy.org/Article/Family-Farms-Then-and-Now>

This document is meant for you, the teacher, to use to convert the lesson plan into a virtual learning module for your students. You can use the steps outlined below to create different elements of a Google Classroom or other online learning module. You can also send the steps directly to your students in a PDF, present them in a virtual meeting, or plug them into any other virtual learning platform you use. Find more virtual lessons here: [Virtual Learning.](https://www.iowaagliteracy.org/Tools-Resources/Other/Virtual-Learning)

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| Engage | Start by drawing a picture of a modern farm and a farmer. Include what you, the student, think the farmer grows on his/her farm, like animals and crops.  |
| Explore | Now, open this document and fill out the first two columns of the KWL (know, want to know, learned) chart. Make a copy and fill out the know and want to know sections. Keep the document open as you will need it throughout the lesson.* [Family Farms Document](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1CujyYVZ6VfsUOVR6nPQAp71vjluJk0n_Hf5yb5iD_YE/edit?usp=sharing)
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| Explain | Now, read the paragraph underneath the KWL chart. It will give you important information about Iowa and the next step of this lesson. You will be researching and becoming an expert on farming in an assigned century (1800s, 1900s, 2000s). |
| Elaborate | Now, go to page 2 of the document. A description of the research project and sources according to your century are on the document. Scroll down to the page labelled with your century and start researching! REMEMBER: You do NOT need to do research on all three centuries. Only research your century.  |
| Evaluate | Now that you have all your information, put it into the slideshow template. It is linked on Page 6 of the document. Make sure to make a copy, put your century on the first page and then plug your information in. You can also add pictures, but make sure to include where you found the picture. Turn it in when you are done! Finally, go back to the KWL chart in the Family Farms Document at the beginning of the document and fill out the “LEARNED” section with everything that you learned about farming! Turn in the KWL chart when you are finished.  |