Using the word bank and riddles on the back, try to decode the secret message in the bold boxes!

Some answers can be used more than once, and each one is related to an agriculture product!

1. pigs, brushes;
2. corn, ice cream;
3. wheat;
4. soybeans, mayonnaise;
5. cattle, hamburger;
6. eggs;
7. corn, chewing gum;
8. pigs, drumheads;
9. cattle, bandages;
10. poultry, bedding and pillows;
11. cattle, deodorant;
12. turkey;
13. poultry;
14. dairy, milk;
15. sheep, shampoo

The secret message is:
Fill in the blanks with words from the word bank, and use them to fill in the puzzle on the other side!

1. I’m a by-product of _____, and you may have used me this morning. I’m good at untangling knots. What am I?

2. I’m a by-product of _____, and I’m very sweet. I make a great July treat, and can be found in many different flavors. What am I?

3. I’m a grain found in bread, noodles, and bagels. I’m only five letters, and I rhyme with eat! What am I? ______

4. I’m a by-product of _____, and a sandwich just isn’t the same without me! I can also be found in deviled eggs and cole slaw. What am I?

5. I’m red when raw and brown when cooked. Cover me with cheese, lettuce, onion and a bun, and I’ve got the perfect look! I’m a product of ____. What am I?

6. I’m scrambled or fried or boiled as sides. I’m nutritious, delicious and small in size. What am I? ______

7. I’m a by-product of _____, and speaking of stink, you need me to keep your breath in check. You can chew me all day, but try not to swallow! Who am I?

8. I’m a by-product of _____, and I can make music! You play me with sticks and I keep the beat. What am I?

9. I’m a by-product of _____, and you use me to keep cuts and scrapes clean. Once you stick me on, I’ll help you heal! What am I?

10. I’m a by-product of _____, and if you want a good night’s sleep, you need me! I’ll keep you warm and comfy. What am I?

11. I’m a by-product of _____, and if people don’t put me on, they stink. I come in all different scents to cover up yours — imagine life without me! What am I?

12. I’m found at Thanksgiving and sometimes in between. In the Midwest is where I’m often seen! What am I? ______

13. Iowa has lots of me, and so does Minnesota. I cluck or quack or gobble some, and I have lots of feathers. What am I? ______

14. I’m a product of ______ and I build strong bones. You put me on your cereal when you are at home. What am I?

15. I’m a by-product of _____, and I’m a type of soap, used to keep people clean. There’s only one place on your body you would want to use me, and that’s on your head! What am I?

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