

Hello Students! Welcome to the Oregon Grown classroom. In our classroom we'll explore all about food—where it grows, how it grows, who grows it and best of all, how we can eat it! My name is Mrs. Case and I've brought along my friend Henny Penny. Here chicky chicky Henny. Can you guess what we'll be talking about today (Hint—what am I wearing?). PAUSE. So many things come from the farm, even things like my chaps. Can you think of other things you use every day that come from the farm?

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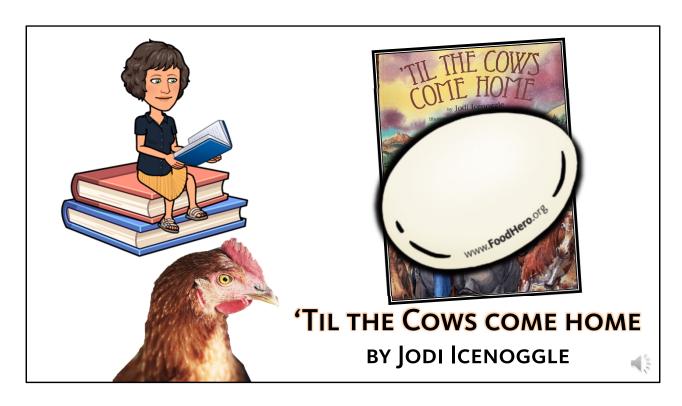
<u>Length:</u> 6 minutes 19 seconds without pauses for the activity and discussion. Total of approximately 8 – 10 minutes minutes with discussion pauses.



Did you guess any of these? Potatoes, beef/meat, eggs (thank you Henny Penny), cereal and even lotion and my chaps. Did some of those things surprise you? In this lesson you'll learn the difference between a main commodity and a by-product. There are so many things we eat and use every day that come from the farm.



Here's our plan. First, we'll read a book about something special made from cows. Then we'll learn about main products and the by products that come from animals and plants. It all starts on the farm! Yee-Haw, that's cowboy language for Let's have some fun!



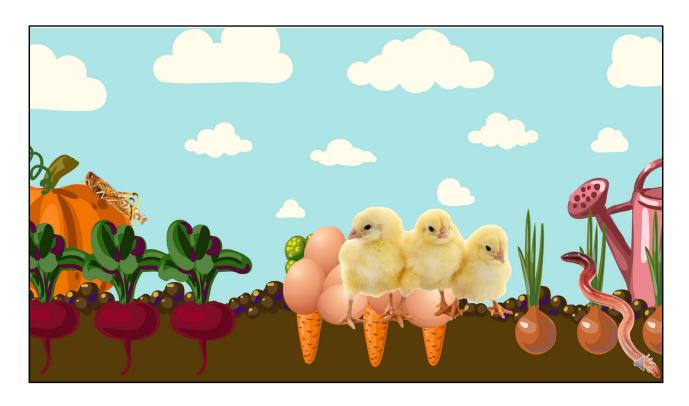
Here's our book: Til the Cows Come Home. This book tells the story of a cowboy that uses and reuses a special piece of leather from cow hide. Let's stop here and read it. Think about the something you've used over and over, where did it originally come from? If you've already read this book, let's continue with our lesson.

But first, here is a joke Henny likes: Why don't eggs tell jokes? They'd crack each other up

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So many things come from the farm. If you think about it, you'll find that the farm is the original source of most things we eat. And, surprise, even some things we don't eat! Like these leather shoes. The word commodity is a plant or animals that farmers raise for money. A commodity has both a main product its grown for as well as by products we use of other purposes.



To help you understand this, I'll tell you the story of Henny Penny. Henny's main job at my house is what? Lay eggs so I can have an omelet for breakfast. So eggs are Henny's main commodity. But Henny has other jobs. She eats bugs in my garden and I use her chicken poop as fertilizer. If I had a rooster, I could hatch baby chicks. These other jobs would all be called a by-product or secondary to her main purpose of laying eggs.



Let's review. What is a commodity? The main product for which the plant or animal is grown (its first and best use). And a by-product? The other products made from the original source (or secondary). Can you tell me the commodity or main product from a beef cow? Meat or hamburger, you got it. And what would by-products from a cow? Remember the cowboy in the story that used leather to make chaps, vest, gloves. Leather comes from the tanning of animal skin or hide. Leather is a by product. Cow manure used for fertilizer and bones used in marshmallows are by products.



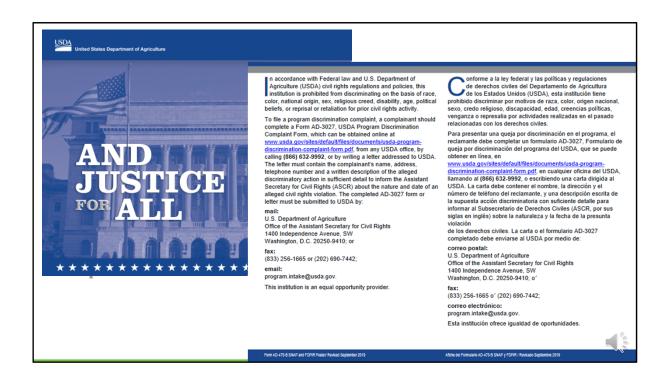
This is a map of Oregon showing all 36 counties. You can raise chickens in every county, maybe even in your own backyard. In fact, in the 1920s most eggs were produced in backyards of peoples homes. But now a lot of us buy our eggs at the store. If we look at the counties that raise the MOST eggs that would be in Clackamas, Polk and Yamhill. You may have heard of Willamette Egg Farm in Canby, Oregon, its in this region (between Woodburn and Molalla).

Egg Production in Oregon. Video from Oregon Ag in the Classroom: <a href="https://youtu.be/XloI3ZQVprM">https://youtu.be/XloI3ZQVprM</a> (20 minutes long)

Food Hero: https://youtu.be/OhExaDLWf1E (2.30 minutes) Oregon Harvest for Schools video



That concludes your Oregon Grown lesson. Be sure to think about all the things you use everyday that start on the farm. Thank you plants, animals and farmers too. See you next time!



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Supplemental Activities that align with this Lesson:
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