

Agricultural Web Search from Alaska Ag in the Classroom

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ANSWERS

1. White potatoes belong to the same genetic family as which other plant?

A. sweet potato **B. chili pepper** C. morning glory

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/ca/didyouknow1.htm>

2. The World Record white potato weighed how much? **7 pounds 1 ounce**

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3. Which vegetable has the highest content of Vitamin A? **carrot**

http://www.fsa.usda.gov/ca/Kid_Pages/carrot_trivia.htm

4. Which state ranks first in agricultural production? **California**

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/ca/kidsfacts.htm>

5. The average annual American consumption of fresh fruit is about how many pounds?

125.8 pounds

http://www.fb.org/brochures/farmfacts/fact-of-week/week_10.html

6. The 2005 forecast of Farm Cash Receipts from USDA Economic Research Service and reported by the American Farm Bureau Federation shows what percent of receipts come from food grains and oil-bearing crops? **4 + 7 = 11 percent total**

<http://www.ageducate.org/resources/cornerpost/>

7. According to the American Farm Bureau Federation, what was the cost PER PERSON of the 2005 Thanksgiving meal? **\$3.68**

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8. Soil's main component is what? **broken-up rocks**

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/feature/education/squirm/skQ1.html>

9. About what percent of American's disposable income is spent on food?

9.7 or 10 percent

http://www.fb.org/brochures/farmfacts/fact-of-week/week_01.html

10. How many glasses of milk can a cow give in her lifetime? **200,000**

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/ca/kidsfacts.htm>

11. What are the letter designations of the four layers or horizons of soil? **O, A, B, C**

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/feature/education/squirm/skQ4.html>

12. Each American farmer feeds about how many people? **144**

http://www.fb.org/brochures/farmfacts/fact-of-week/week_02.html

13. According to the American Dairy Council and Dairy Max, what drink is replacing sodas in machines in schools? **flavored milk (including chocolate, strawberry and banana)**

<http://www.dairymax.com/BackToSchool04.htm>

14. Who is considered the “Father of Soil Conservation?” Hugh Hammond Bennett

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/about/history/>

15. According to USDA, there are more than **2 million** farms in the United States.

<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/ca/agforkids.htm>

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