



# Vocabulary

## Mapping Illinois Agriculture – Ag in the Classroom presentation

**agriculture** – the science of growing crops and raising livestock to produce food, clothing, and other products useful and necessary to mankind

**condiment** – a relish, sauce, or seasoning added to food to give flavor; popular condiments include ketchup, mustard, and horseradish

**coordinates** – a pair of numbers and/or letters that show the exact position of a point on a map or graph

**county** – in the United States, a county is a local level of government below the state

**crops** – plants that are grown and harvested to become food and other products for people and animals

**ethanol** – also known as ethyl alcohol, ethanol is produced from corn to be used as a fuel and in products such as glass cleaner and hand sanitizer

**field corn** – type of corn grown to feed livestock or processed into its various components to be used in food and other products; also known as dent corn

**grain terminal** – facilities used for temporary storage and shipment of grain. Grain terminals are found where grain is delivered to be shipped by rail, barge, or oceangoing vessel.

**horseradish** – the root of the horseradish plant which is grated or ground and used as a condiment; has a very strong flavor

**ingredient** – something that is part of a mixture; for example, flour is an ingredient in cookies

**kernel** – the seeds of a corn or wheat plant

**livestock** – farm animals raised to produce food such as milk or meat

**milling** – the act or process of grinding, especially grinding grain into flour or meal

**popcorn** – type of corn that pops when heated due to moisture trapped within a tough outer hull

**processing** – subjecting a raw product to various steps to create a new product or products; milk is processed to make cheese

**river barge** – a flat-bottomed boat built for river and canal transport of heavy goods. Some barges are not self-propelled and need to be towed by tugboats or pushed by towboats.

**soybeans** – a type of bean plant which produces round, tan beans in fuzzy pods; seeds of the soybean plant

**superabsorbent polymer** – substance that can absorb and retain many times its own weight in liquid

**tallow** – beef fat; used to make soap and other products