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Life on a Vermont Dairy Farm Text Set

Group A: Vermont Farmers' Deep Connection to the Land

Directions: Watch the following video: Russo Family Farm, Vermont. Then, discuss the ideas collaboratively and take notes on the points you covered.

What moments show how connected the farmer is to his land?

What words, phrases, or images help you understand the meaning of land, place, or heritage?

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Group B: Daily Life on the Farm

Directions: Read the following article: A Day-in-the-Life on an Organic Dairy Farm in Cornwall, Vermont. Then, discuss the ideas collaboratively and take notes on the points you covered.

What day-to-day responsibilities are described?

What hardships are described? What keeps them going despite these challenges?

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Whole Group: Life as a Migrant Worker on a Dairy Farm

Directions: Read the first three paragraphs and the assigned photos as a class from The Golden Cage. Then, discuss the ideas in a small group and take notes on the points you covered.

Look closely at the images. What do you notice? What is happening?

What connections can you make between you and the images?

How might these images be connected to the video and the article you read earlier?

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