



What should I already know?

- Our location is surrounded by lots of farms.
- Farms breed animals for **dairy** / meat or grow crops
- What **seasons** are and how they change.

What will I know by the end of the unit?

What farms are and why they are important?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arable farms grow crops like wheat. • Livestock farms raise animals for meat, wool or eggs. • Dairy farms produce milk to make cheese, yogurt or butter.
How the seasons affect life on a farm?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farms are busy places all year around but different things happen on farms during different seasons.
What are the features of a farm?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farms need lots of space so they are in the countryside, surrounded by fields. • As well as open land for growing crops or keeping animals, lots of building are needed.

Vocabulary

arable	arable is where farmers plough the land, sow seeds and grow plants to harvest
autumn	the season after summer and before winter
calf	a baby cow
countryside	rural areas are quieter places which are not towns or cities
dairy	dairy farms use milk from cows, goats and other animals to create products like cheese, yogurt and butter
livestock	a farm that focuses on raising animals instead of crops
orchard	where trees or shrubs that produce food are grown
pasture	an area of land for grazing
ploughing	a farm implement consisting of a strong blade at the end of a beam
rural	the characteristic of the countryside rather than town or city
season	they are four seasons in a year
spring	the weather usually turns warmer, trees begin to grow their leaves, plants start to flower and young animals such as chicks and lambs are born in this season
summer	the season between spring and autumn which in the northern hemisphere, is usually the months of June, July, and August
urban	urban habitats are found in towns and cities
winter	the season after autumn and before spring

Diagrams



ploughing



milk – a dairy product



arable farming

Geographical Skills and Fieldwork

- Why are farms important?
- Can you name some of the features of a farm?
- Can you name all four **seasons**? Can you describe what happens on a farm during each of the **seasons**?
- Can you identify ways in which towns and farms are different?