



# Agri-Trekking Across Ontario, Grade 7 & 8

## Guiding Questions

### For Teachers

The following questions can be used to generate discussion with your students before, during or after exploring the Agri-Trekking Across Ontario, Grade 7 and 8 online resource.

1. How does climate affect agricultural productivity of a county?
2. Does the length of the growing season have any effect on the commodities produced in a county?
3. How could the population of a county affect what types of commodities are produced in a specific county?
4. Do you think there is a relationship between the types of farms in a county and the main farm commodities produced there?
5. What affect does the presence of the Canadian Shield have on agriculture in Ontario?
6. Should the types of farms in Ontario be more evenly distributed?
7. What consequences would there be if urbanization continues to spread throughout southern Ontario?
8. Compare and contrast agriculture in various areas in Ontario. What do you notice? What trends do you see?
9. What are the impacts of growing non-traditional crops, such as ginseng, in areas on Ontario?
10. What are the impacts on local food for decreasing farm numbers and increasing farm sizes?
11. Describe the ways that the Niagara Escarpment influences agriculture in Ontario.
12. Besides lack of prime agricultural land, what other factors influence limited crop production in counties?
13. Do you think that areas such as the Great Clay Belt and Little Clay Belt in Northern Ontario should be invested in for agriculture? Why or why not.