

THE ABC'S OF AGGIE DAYS!

- A** is for **AGRICULTURE**. Agriculture is Alberta's renewable resource.
- B** is for **BREAD**. Bread is made from flour and flour is made from wheat.
- C** is for **COMPUTERS**. More and more farmers and ranchers are using computers for their daily business operations.
- D** is for **DAIRY PRODUCERS**. Cheese, butter and milk are examples of dairy products.
- E** is for **EGGS**. We get eggs from laying hens.
- F** is for **FARMER**. Food, such as vegetables and meat are grown on the farm.
- G** is for **GRAIN**. Grain refers to the seed that the crop makes at the end of the summer.
- H** is for **HONEY**. Honey is made by bees. Bee Keepers look after the bee hives.
- I** is for **IRRIGATION**. Many crops are grown using water from irrigation.
- J** is for **JOBS**. 30 out of 100 jobs in Canada are related to Agriculture.
- K** is for **KERNELS** of corn. Southern Alberta produces a lot of corn, mainly for livestock feed.
- L** is for **LAMB**. A lamb is a baby sheep.
- M** is for **MOO**. All cows whether they are beef or dairy breeds say "moo"!
- N** is for **NUTRITION**. Every crop or animal needs nutrition to grow. Every product grown on a farm gives us the right nutrition for a healthy diet.
- O** is for **OILSEED CROPS**. Oilseed crops such as flax, canola, sunflower and soy bean are produced in Alberta. They all produce oil used in foods.
- P** is for **PORK**. We get pork from pigs. "Put some on your fork".
- Q** is for **QUALITY**. Our lives are made better because of the high quality of foods produced in Alberta.
- R** is for **RAIN**. The farmer needs rain for their crops to grow.
- S** is for **SUN** and **SOIL**. Both sun and soil are very important natural resources need for crops to grow.
- T** is for **TRUCKS**. Trucks are used to transport animals and crops to the market.
- U** is for **UDDER**. An udder is part of a cow. This area stores the cow's milk.
- V** is for **VEGETABLE** oil. Vegetable oil comes from oilseed crops like canola and sunflowers.
- W** is for **WHEAT**. Wheat is a very important crop to Alberta's farmers. We get flour from wheat. Flour is needed to make pasta, cereal and bread.
- X** marks the spot where it all begins: the farm and the farmer.
- Y** is for **YOU!!** You must remember how important the farmer is to your life. We need food to live and we need farmers to keep producing food.
- Z** is for **ZUCCHINI**. A zucchini is a long green vegetable and it is just one of the many vegetables produced here in Alberta and you can grow them in your garden!