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AGRONOMIST



In this episode, Cool Careers Correspondent Sapphire discovers what an agronomist is and why the job is so important. She follows Brandon, an agronomist at Crop Quest, who helps keep crops happy and healthy. From catching pesky bugs to collecting soil samples, join Sapphire as she digs into this exciting career!

Agronomists research crops, trees and other plants and see how they grow best — considering soil, pests and other factors. They may classify and categorize soils and investigate how different practices affect growth.

Typical Education Required For This Job: BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR DOCTORAL/PROFESSIONAL DEGREE

Episode Takeaways

Please respond to these questions using complete sentences.

1. Name one of the top crops grown in Kansas.

Wheat, corn, sorghum, soybeans

2. True or false: Brandon says being an agronomist is similar to being an accountant. *Circle one.*

✓
TRUE



3. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 meaning “no way” and 10 meaning “this seems like a great job for me someday,” how interested are you in this career path? *Circle a number.*

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Definitely not

Maybe

I'm super interested

4. Why did you circle the number you did on question 3?

5. Find the Agronomist page on the **HirePaths.com** website. What's the projected growth for this job in Kansas?

Extreme growth



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DAIRY FARMER

HIGH-DEMAND
Job in Kansas



In this episode, Cool Careers Correspondent Jude moooves around McCarty Family Farms in Rexford, Kansas. He's joined by Ken, a dairy farmer, who helps ensure the cows stay happy and healthy. Tune in to see how technology is used on the farm, just how many dairy products are grown here from right here in Kansas and more. Plus, the cows are so cute.

ANSWER KEY

Farmers attend to food production animals like cattle, sheep, pigs, commercially raised fish and others. Duties may include feeding, watering, herding, grazing, milking and more.

Typical Education Required For This Job: ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

Episode Takeaways

Please respond to these questions using complete sentences.

1. What does Ken say is the most important thing they do at the dairy farm?

Just let cows be cows.

2. How many times does a ruminant eat its food? *Circle one.*

ONCE

TWICE

THREE TIMES

3. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 meaning "no way" and 10 meaning "this seems like a great job for me someday," how interested are you in this career path? *Circle a number.*

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Definitely not

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I'm super interested

4. Why did you circle the number you did on question 3?

5. Find the Farmworker — Farm, Ranch and Aquacultural Animals page on the **HirePaths.com** website. What's one animal listed that this job might help tend to?

Cattle, sheep, pigs, (commercially raised) fish



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RESTAURANT MANAGER

HIGH-DEMAND
Job in Kansas 



In this episode, Cool Careers Correspondent Emerson takes a bit out of the restaurant industry! She joins Heather, the owner of TOAST in Pittsburg, Kansas, to see what it's like to work in this field now that she's not a student (hint: a love of art) — and more. Join us for the fun and interesting!

ANSWER KEY

Restaurant or service managers are responsible for the daily operation of restaurants or other establishments that prepare and serve food and beverages.

Typical Education Required For This Job: HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OR ON-THE-JOB TRAINING

Episode Takeaways

Please respond to these questions using complete sentences.

1. True or false: Heather started in this industry by baking cakes. *Circle one.*



X
FALSE

2. Heather says small business owners need to be prepared to do whatever must be done. What's one thing she helps with at TOAST?

- A. Making food in the kitchen
- B. Taking orders
- C. Waiting on customers
- D. Cleaning tables and dishes
- E. Meeting with vendors
- F. Hiring and scheduling employees
- G. All of the above

3. On a scale of 1 to 10, with 1 meaning “no way” and 10 meaning “this seems like a great job for me someday,” how interested are you in this career path? *Circle a number.*

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Definitely not

Maybe

I'm super interested

4. Why did you circle the number you did on question 3?

5. Find the Service Manager page on the **HirePaths.com** website. What's one soft skill important to this job?

Customer service, management, cleanliness, operations, teamwork