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## Lesson Plan(s)

### [Growing a Nation Era 1: Seeds of Change](#)

Students will engage with the Growing a Nation timeline to explore the significant historical and agricultural events and inventions from American history during the years 1600-1929. Students will recognize the importance of labor in agriculture, discover how the implementation of technology increased agricultural production, and explore the role that cotton and wool played during this era.

### [Growing a Nation Era 2: From Defeat to Victory](#)

Students will engage with the Growing a Nation timeline to explore the significant historical and agricultural events and inventions from American history during the years 1930-1949. Students will examine the cause and impact of the Dust Bowl, recognize how the Dust Bowl led to the Great Depression, and describe the government's response to assist farmers in the 1930s.

### [Growing a Nation Era 3: Prosperity and Challenges](#)

Students will engage with the Growing a Nation timeline to explore the significant historical and agricultural events and inventions from American history during the years 1950-1969. Students will examine the cause and effect relationships of many post-war advances that took place in our country

and discover how increases in science and technology changed agriculture leading to fewer farmers being necessary to provide food and fiber.

#### **Growing a Nation Era 4: Into a New Millennium**

Students will engage with the Growing a Nation timeline to explore the significant historical and agricultural events and inventions from American history during the years 1970-2000. Students will recognize the importance of labor in agriculture and determine how the implementation of technology in agriculture increased agricultural production.

#### **Growing a Nation Era 5: Growing Technology**

Students will be introduced to technologies currently used on farms by engaging in an AppQuest to discover how farmers use mobile apps to manage farm production systems, marketing options, and make timely decisions.

#### **Growing a Nation Era 5: Playing by the Rules**

Students will explore the major events and changes in agriculture related to science, technology, and policy in the era of 2001 to the present, taking an in-depth look at how these elements have impacted American families and communities through the passage and enactment of government programs and policies.

