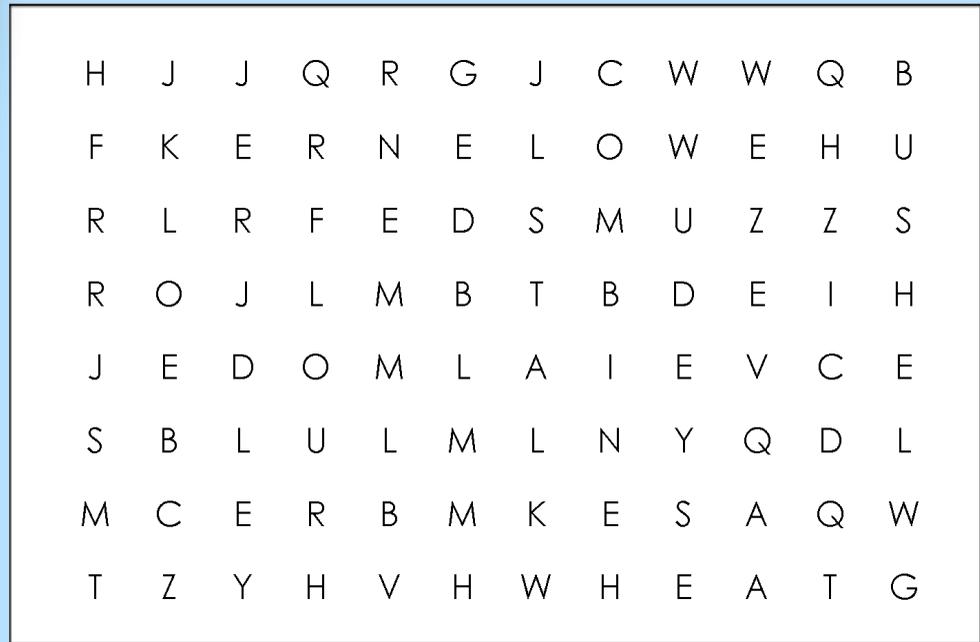


Hi there! I'm Watson Wheat. Will you help me find some of my favorite words?

BUSHEL COMBINE FLOUR
 KERNEL STALK WHEAT



WHAT DO THESE WORDS MEAN?

BUSHEL - Wheat is measured in bushels, just like you would say a "pack of gum" or a "bag of chips." One bushel is about 60 pounds of wheat!



COMBINE - A combine is the big tractor farmers use to harvest wheat. Farmers in Texas harvest their wheat in the late spring or early summer!

FLOUR - When a farmer harvests wheat, the combine uses a special tool to take out the wheat kernels. Those kernels are sent to a flour mill, where they are ground up into a fine powder that we call flour!



KERNEL - Kernels are the seeds found in the top part of the wheat plant. They are ground up to make flour or other wheat products!

STALK - This is what we call a single wheat plant!



WHEAT - Wheat is one of the biggest crops grown in the world! It's been around for thousands of years and we use it to make flour, bread, pasta, cookies, crackers, cupcakes, cereal, tortillas, pancakes, paper products, cat litter, makeup and tons of other stuff!

From the Farm to the Table



Fill in the blanks to find out how wheat gets from the farm to the food on your table!

It all starts on a _____ fall day. The farmer heads out to
adjective

the _____ and starts planting wheat seeds. During the
place

winter and spring, the farmer _____ watches the wheat
adverb

to make sure it's _____. When the wheat is golden and _____, the
verb ending in "ing" adjective

farmer uses a _____ tractor called a "combine" to harvest the wheat. The
adjective

combine _____ the wheat kernels into a container so the farmer can send
verb ending in "s"

them away to be made into flour. First, the kernels take a _____ ride in a
adjective

truck to a grain elevator, where a _____ pays the farmer for _____
job title verb ending in "ing"

the wheat. Then, the elevator sells the wheat to a terminal elevator, where they
clean and _____ the kernels. Finally, the terminal elevator sells the wheat
verb

to a flour mill, where they _____ the kernels into powder. The mill can
verb

_____ the flour straight to the grocery store or sell the flour to a bakery to be
verb

made into _____ bread, pasta, cookies, crackers or tortillas. You can either
adjective

_____ these products at the grocery store or find them on the menu of your
verb

_____ restaurant. Make sure you have _____ servings of wheat
adjective number

every day as part of a _____ diet!
adjective