

## Core Skills Analysis

### Social Studies

- Learned about the concept of heritage farming and its historical significance in different cultures.
- Understood the importance of preserving traditional agricultural practices and the role they play in cultural identity.
- Developed an awareness of the connection between farming methods and environmental sustainability.
- Explored how heritage farming impacts local communities and economies.

### English Language Arts

- Practiced writing skills through compiling information and organizing it into a coherent book format.
- Learned how to present factual information in an engaging way suited to a reader.
- Enhanced vocabulary related to farming, history, and culture.
- Gained experience in planning and proofreading written work.

### Art and Design

- Used creative skills to design a book layout that complements the topic of heritage farming.
- Possibly included illustrations or diagrams enhancing comprehension and engagement.
- Experimented with visual storytelling to support written content.
- Developed an understanding of how visuals can communicate cultural and environmental themes.

### Tips

To deepen Caspar's understanding of heritage farming, consider organizing experiential activities such as visiting a local heritage farm or community garden where traditional methods are practiced. Encourage Caspar to interview farmers or community elders to collect oral histories and personal stories, adding a rich, human perspective to the book. Integrate science lessons by exploring plant biology and soil health in relation to sustainable farming practices used historically versus modern methods. Additionally, you could expand the project by including a comparative study of different heritage farming practices worldwide, fostering global cultural awareness and critical thinking.

### Book Recommendations

- [Roots, Shoots, Buckets & Boots: Gardening Together with Children](#) by Sharon Lovejoy: A delightful guide that connects children with gardening, inspiring them to learn about plants and traditional growing methods.
- [The Story of Farming](#) by Catherine Chambers: An accessible introduction to the history of farming, including traditional practices and their evolution over time.
- [Farm Anatomy: The Curious Parts and Pieces of Country Life](#) by Julia Rothman: A beautifully illustrated book that explores the tools, animals, and traditions of rural farming life.

### Learning Standards

- History KS2: Understand significant aspects of the history of farming and its impact on society (National Curriculum History KS2, Studio 2.1 and DT KS2).
- English KS2: Develop writing skills through planning, drafting, and editing a non-fiction text (National Curriculum English KS2, Writing - composition).
- Geography KS2: Recognise how human activity impacts the environment through traditional farming methods (Geography - places, processes and interaction KS2).

- Art and Design KS2: Use drawing and design skills to communicate ideas related to cultural and historical themes (National Curriculum Art and Design KS2).

### **Try This Next**

- Create a worksheet mapping different heritage farming techniques and the regions they come from.
- Write a short diary entry or story from the perspective of a heritage farmer during a planting season.