

Senior Activity Sheet 4

Dairy and the Environment

Now that you have learned about dairy and the environment, complete the following sentences using words from the vocabulary box below. Be careful! There's three extra words which shouldn't be there! Can you find them?

1. Food miles are the _____ food _____ from the farm to our plates.
2. Energy is used to grow, _____, transport and store food, which creates greenhouse gases.
3. Gases, such as CO₂, that trap the heat of the sun in our atmosphere, causing it to heat up are called _____ gases.
4. _____ describes how the earth is heating up because of greenhouse gas emissions.
5. Using locally grown or sourced _____ food uses fewer food miles.
6. Due to our grass-based production system, Irish dairy farms have some of the lowest levels of greenhouse gas _____ in the EU.
7. In bad weather, dangerous road conditions affect _____ and collections of milk.
8. When cows are unable to be outside on the grass, farmers have to provide additional _____.
9. _____ dry weather conditions and lack of rain affects the availability of _____ for the animals.
10. _____ and _____ can reduce the size of a farmer's crop and can even destroy a crop entirely.

produce
distance
weather
emissions

seasonal
grass
travels
food

droughts
conditions
greenhouse
dairy

deliveries
climate change
extreme
floods