



## Canadian Ag Literacy Week 2016

Agriculture in the Classroom-Canada (AITC) organizations will be celebrating the fifth annual "Canadian Agriculture Literacy Week" (CALW) in classrooms across the nation from **February 28th to March 6th, 2016**. Agriculture will come alive in Canadian classrooms as students participate in activities to learn about, connect to and understand this important industry. Events and activities will run throughout the week, to celebrate the fact that agriculture is all around us, everyday!

In 2012, Agriculture in the Classroom-Canada worked collectively on the initiative to declare one week in early March as the Canadian Agriculture Literacy Week. This initiative is made possible through generous core funding from Farm Credit Canada

### Programs

Check back in late January for programs related to Canadian Ag Literacy Week

### Classroom Resources

Do you want to integrate agriculture into your classroom for Canadian Ag Literacy Week? Here are some resources to help you do that.

The [All About Food](#) book and corresponding website (**Grades 7-10**) are designed with teachers in mind: articles, videos and critical thinking questions support classroom curriculum and stimulate discussions about Canada's agri-food sector. Some topics students can learn about include: ag careers, biotechnology, pesticides, soils and food safety. Free copies of the book can be requested through Alberta Agriculture. Call 403-340-5339 or email [ag.education@gov.ab.ca](mailto:ag.education@gov.ab.ca) . We also have some French copies of the resource.

[The Adventures of Michael and Mia: Stewards of the Land](#) (**Grades 3-5**) is a book developed by Agriculture in the Classroom. It's a short story about two kids who try to get an old garden whipped back into shape on the farm their parents have just bought. The things they struggle with—what to plant, when to plant it, irrigation, protecting the soil, fertilizing, dealing with pests—mirror what their parents and other farmers have to think about while growing crops. Free copies of the book can be requested through Alberta Agriculture. Call 403-340-5339 or email [ag.education@gov.ab.ca](mailto:ag.education@gov.ab.ca) . We also have some French copies of the resource. The book was made possible through generous core funding from Viterra.