

# Man and Nature – a complex relationship. Lesson 2 – Farming and land use

Here comes the second lesson in the series about man's relationship with nature.

The idea behind creating this series is to examine the complex relationship between man and nature.

In this second lesson, the focus is on farming and land use.



Harvest Time, by G.V. Cole

The series will consist of a total of eight lessons, each with its own unique angle. Three lessons look at the question from a more historical perspective. The links in the lists below will get updated, as I manage to upload the lessons.

Each lesson can be used in its own right. But you get the most out of them if you use them in the whole series.

- Hunter-gatherer societies
- Agriculture
- Industrialization

The next three lessons will look at important technologies and future perspectives.

- Food production
- CO<sup>2</sup>
- Waste

The last two lessons will be for designing products and holding a public exam.

All lessons contain theory and practice elements. This is because I think that practical elements are important drivers for learning.

The practice elements can be things like:

- Excursions
- Interviews
- Experiments
- Designing products

About Lesson 2 – Farming and land use



Farming and land use has often been linked to environmental destruction.

In this lesson, we learn about farming and land use. How did humans start farming? What has that meant for human development? How does farming impact nature? And what could be good, sustainable farming methods?

As part of the lesson, I recommend scheduling a visit to a local ecological farmer. If you can find a biodynamic farmer, even better. This might not be possible for you in your area. In that case, I recommend watching the film "The biggest little farm" together with your students. You can find it on [Amazon](#). The link is an affiliate link. I earn a small commission if you buy or rent the film through this link to keep the blog going.

Here are the lesson materials. As always, you can find them in PDF format.

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I hope you enjoy these lessons. I am always happy to receive feedback from you.