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Note, by request of teachers we have included the answers to the questions immediately following the questions on a separate worksheet.

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 Or use the article at <https://iaitc.co/NationalPAS>

Use the article titled: College Ag Ed draws a wide range of students

1. Where was the 2024 Professional Agricultural Students Conference held?
2. How long was the 2024 PAS Conference?
3. Describe how PAS membership in relation to the number of farms as described by the newly elected PAS President.
4. Describe how the theme of the 2024 PAS Conference is linked to President Abraham Lincoln.
5. Describe why Lincoln Land’s Alex Sidener’s work on animal repellent would have benefits to agriculture.

Answers:

1. Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield.
2. 4 days
3. There are fewer and fewer farmers, but PAS is growing.
4. The theme of the 2024 conference was Cultivating Character, and is linked to President Lincoln’s Character and Leadership.
5. Answers will vary, but wild animals, such as deer play a major role in harming crop yields. A repellent would discourage wildlife from harming crops or yield.