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Another in the series of Illinois Agriculture in the Classroom non-fiction text examples to be used in your classroom. Remember, these will be available every MONDAY afternoon that *FarmWeek* is published during the school year.

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*FarmWeek*  is not published the week of Thanksgiving, instead we offer you this article from Agri-News

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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<http://www.agrinews-pubs.com/news/former-white-house-chef-steps-out-of-the-kitchen/article_e33a94c0-1207-11ea-955c-eb0535f7341d.html>

**Former White House chef steps out of the kitchen**

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**Directions:** Please use the online version at <http://www.agrinews-pubs.com/news/former-white-house-chef-steps-out-of-the-kitchen/article_e33a94c0-1207-11ea-955c-eb0535f7341d.html>

Use the article titled:

**Former White House chef steps out of the kitchen**

1. What was Sam Kass’s role in the White House?
2. Define the following:
   1. Innovation
   2. Venture capitalism
   3. Entrepreneur
3. What do you think of Kass’s statement that now is the right time to invest with people who know about agriculture and food? Explain if you would invest in this situation or not.
4. Explain Kass’s thoughts on technology related to agriculture.
5. After a long thanksgiving break, explain your thoughts on the Obama family eating dinner together. Why did this have an impact on Sam Kass?

Answer Key

1. White House chef and senior policy adviser for nutrition in the Obama administration.
2. Innovation: a new method, idea, or product.

Venture Capitalism: Investing in a project where there is a substantial element of risk, typically a new or expanding business.

Entrepreneur: a person who organizes and operates a business taking on greater than normal financial risks to do so.

1. Answers will vary, but should include the investment in food versus typical technology investments
2. Answers will vary, but should include the reframing of the argument that technology is about tools and his opinion that new tools in the marketplace are neither good nor bad.
3. Answers will vary, but the idea of a family eating together could be a novelty in our current society.