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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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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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**Lt. Gov. Stratton: ‘Agriculture truly connects us all’**

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Use the article titled:

**Lt. Gov. Stratton: ‘Agriculture truly connects us all’**

1. **Name the Governor of Illinois.**
2. **Name the Lieutenant Governor of Illinois.**
3. **Describe what you think the Lt. Governor means when she said, “Agriculture truly connects us all.”**
4. **Name one way the state government assisted farmers due to extreme weather and flooding.**
5. **How did the state government support Illinois agricultural exports?**
6. **What way is the state government supporting rural economies?**
7. **Why do you think it was important that the Lt. Governor addressed those in attendance at the National Direct Agriculture Marketing Summit?**

Answer Key

1. **J. B. Pritzker**
2. **Juliana Stratton**
3. **Answers will vary, but should include the importance of agriculture.**
4. **Department of Ag provided incentives to plant cover crops on prevent plant acres.**
5. **Hosted a delegation from Taiwan and signed agreements to buy $2.2 billion in Illinois corn and soybeans.**
6. **Adding broadband services as well as focusing on jobs in rural communities, specifically encouraging young people to return to rural areas to start businesses.**
7. **Answers will vary, but should include the fact that Illinois farmers are now looking to directly market more products.**