

# Organic: Challenges/Opportunities

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**Directions:** Read the National Geographic article, “We don’t have enough organic farms. Why not?” (November 20, 2018, Rachel Cernansky) <https://www.nationalgeographic.com/environment/future-of-food/organic-farming-crops-consumers/>

1. Complete the following graphic organizer.

CHALLENGES	OPPORTUNITIES

2. Examine the photographs that accompany the article. Identify your three favorites below.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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- b. \_\_\_\_\_  
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- c. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. For each photograph that you listed for Question 2, identify the challenge or opportunity it is illustrating or another theme from this article. List the challenge, opportunity, or theme and describe the connection below.

a. \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Agricultural innovations such as biotechnology, genetically modified organisms, and synthetic fertilizers and pesticides have been accompanied by debates over sustainability, soil and water usage, and reductions in biodiversity. How does organic agriculture play a role in addressing these sustainability concerns?

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