

Tim's Potato Farm

Read the story and fill in the blanks using the words below!

Hi, my name is Tim and I live with my family on a potato farm in _____ Maine. Our farm grows _____ potatoes that farmers all across the country can plant to grow their own potato _____. We _____ two varieties, _____ and Norland. The _____ are dark, red potatoes that are great boiled, and the Russets are the best for _____.

Every season our potato _____ is busy! In the spring our fields need to be _____ after the frost is gone. We cut the potatoes and take them to the _____. The planter fills each row with fertilizer and _____ spaced just right, then it covers them with a few inches of _____. In a few _____ the potato plants can be seen peeking up through the soil.

During the _____ the potato plants must be cultivated or _____ several times to protect the potato _____ from the sun. The plants blossom in _____. The fields look beautiful! Sometimes when there is not enough _____ we need to _____ with a long machine that reaches across the field and gets water to all the plants.

Fall is time for _____. The seed potatoes are stored in our potato _____ until it is time to send them out to other potato _____ in time for spring planting. I am so proud to send seed potatoes we grow in _____ to so many other states to help many other _____ grow potatoes for everyone to eat!

baking	growers	July	Russet
crop	harrowed	Maine	seed
days	harvest	Norlands	seed pieces
family farms	hilled	northern	soil
farm	houses	planter	summer
grow	irrigate	rain	tubers