

Solutions

Each answer shows the steps, then the **result**.

2.1

- the large-scale commercial business of agriculture integrating production, processing, and distribution

2.2

- producing in large quantities lowers the cost per unit of output

2.3

(a)

- monoculture

(b)

- a single pest, disease, or price crash can wipe out the whole harvest

3.1 A

- farm-to-consumer steps = commodity chain

3.2 B

- bulk production lowers cost per unit = economies of scale

3.3

(a)

- lower costs / control of the whole chain / reliable supply

(b)

- they cannot compete on price and may be squeezed out