## Python Culminating Task - Comparing \% Farmland in Two Countries

Background: Given the mechanisation of agriculture in the industrial revolution, the United States has developed many factory farms in order to meet the needs of the growing population and meat-dependent diet.

Read this Nat Geo article \& think about the following questions:

- How might factory farming reduce the amount of farmland needed for agriculture in the United States?
- Why are factory farms damaging to the environment? How might they contribute to climate change?

Look at the picture below, taken from this article, which highlights China's ever growing agricultural sector - since tomatoes in Xinjiang are less juicy and easier to transport, they make up $1 / 4$ of the world's ketchup production. Watch this video, which explains why large scale corporate agricultural production has increased in China. Think about the following questions:

- How did China incentivize farmers to produce food to meet the needs of their growing population?
- How might the distribution of China's agricultural production contribute to climate change?



## Task:

1. Create a graph comparing the $\%$ land area used for agriculture in China and the US.
2. Customize the graph so that it's clear that there are two sets of data (ex. different colours for the two countries).
3. Label the axes and add a title for the graph.
4. Create a function that calculates the mean of \% land used for each country, rounded down to the nearest whole number.
5. Ask the user which country they think has a higher average \% of land used for agriculture. Based on their answer, either state that they are correct or incorrect, and provide the exact averages for both countries in a sentence response. Ask the user if they would like to see the graph with the data for the past 40 years. If they say yes, then show the graph.
6. Create an object called country, with the attributes of population and land size. Print the population for both countries.

## Data:

| Year | \% land area used for <br> agriculture (United States) | \% land area used for <br> agriculture (China) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1971 | 47.3088648 | 40.39624 |
| 1973 | 47.0795811 | 41.4858999 |
| 1975 | 46.9658127 | 42.682076 |
| 1977 | 46.9847013 | 43.9485527 |
| 1979 | 46.7479932 | 45.0765585 |
| 1981 | 46.7479932 | 46.1117887 |
| 1983 | 47.1013084 | 48.244135 |
| 1985 | 47.1013084 | 50.7386361 |
| 1987 | 46.6153362 | 51.9549437 |
| 1989 | 46.6153362 | 53.2032061 |


| 1991 | 46.6153362 | 54.4701089 |
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| 1993 | 46.1786054 | 55.1991053 |
| 1995 | 45.8719112 | 55.6902039 |
| 1997 | 45.2982653 | 55.7435214 |
| 1999 | 45.189301 | 55.7222181 |
| 2001 | 45.2900702 | 55.3795407 |
| 2003 | 45.178849 | 54.9767062 |
| 2005 | 44.9451643 | 55.1151813 |
| 2007 | 45.0623443 | 54.8100187 |
| 2009 | 44.8170837 | 54.8084173 |
| 2011 | 44.2386282 | 54.8084173 |

Source: Agricultural land (\% of land area)| Data (worldbank.org)
land_area_list_US = [47.3088648, 47.0795811, 46.9658127, 46.9847013, 46.7479932, 46.7479932, 47.1013084, 47.1013084, 46.6153362, 46.6153362, 46.6153362, 46.1786054, 45.8719112, 45.2982653, 45.189301, 45.2900702, 45.178849, 44.9451643, 45.0623443, 44.8170837, 44.2386282]
land_area_list_China $=[40.39624,41.4858999,42.682076,43.9485527$, 45.0765585, 46.1117887, 48.244135, 50.7386361, 51.9549437, 53.2032061, 54.4701089, 55.1991053, 55.6902039, 55.7435214, 55.7222181, 55.3795407, 54.9767062, 55.1151813, 54.8100187, 54.8084173, 54.8084173]

