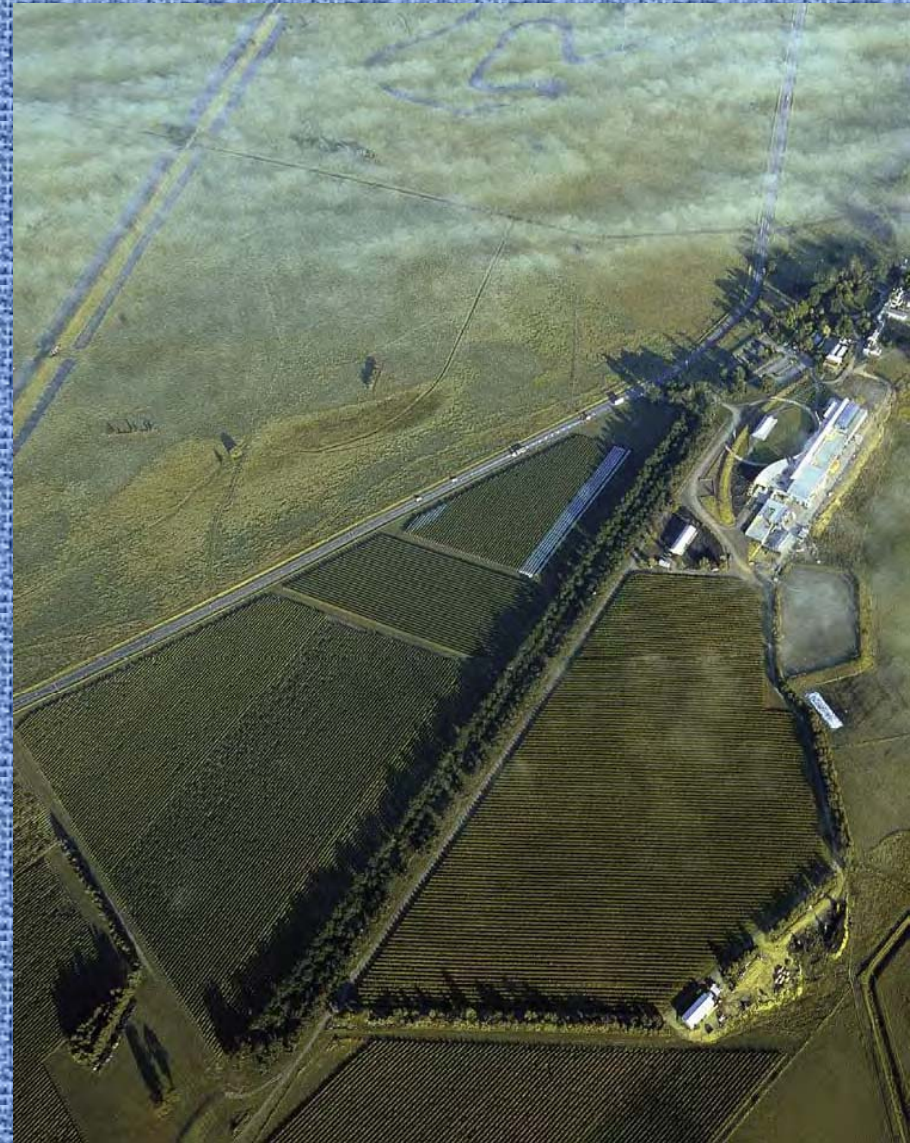


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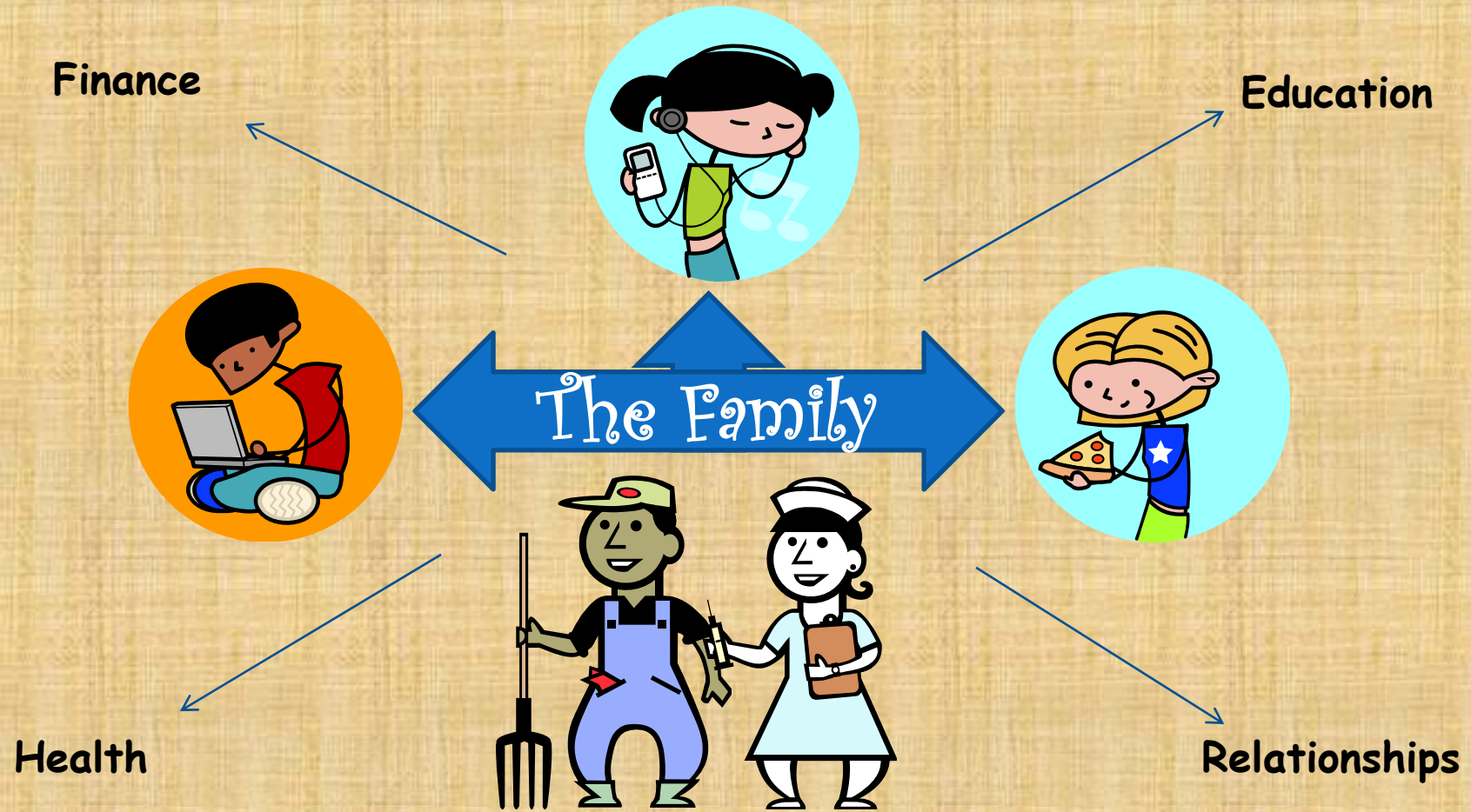
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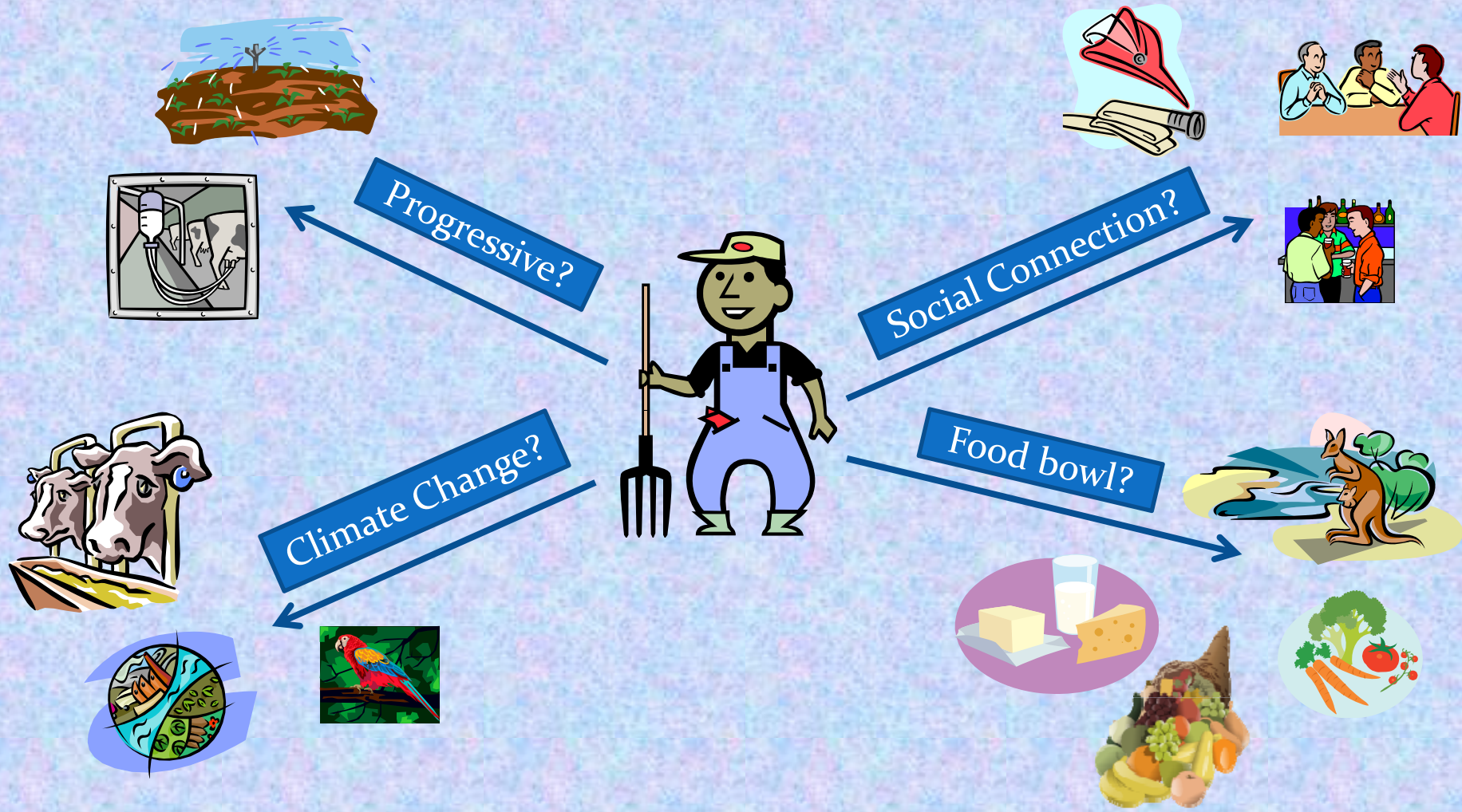
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- Irrigation allocations drop
- Modernisation project includes piping water to Melbourne
- Federal Government negotiates the role of regulator of the Murray Darling Basin
- Federal Government adopts Kyoto Protocol and climate change fully embraced

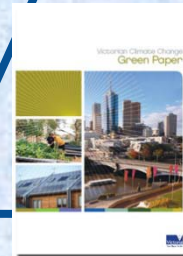
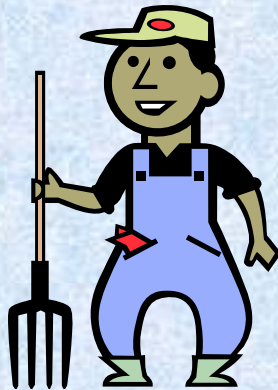
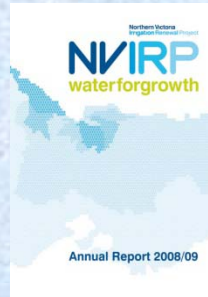
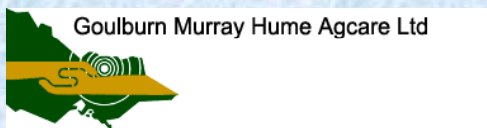
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Fred had always thought...but...



Then came...



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