While looking at the The Last Straw artwork by Bruce Johnson, answer the following questions.

1. What message is the artist, Bruce Johnson, expressing in this poster?

2. Why did the artist color the farm and not the rest of the poster?

3. Describe the emotional, social and political contrasts between the farm and the rest of the poster.

4. Make a list of the things people are doing in the poster.

5. What are the dominant types of services depicted throughout the poster?

6. Does this reflect aspects of real life in your community?

7. How do you think the artist feels about what is happening in “real life?”

8. Find 5 signs, slogans, words, and/or place names discuss the message behind their meaning.

9. What messages are repeated throughout the poster?

10. Find drawings (outside of the farm) that are connected to farm life.

11. Find items that demonstrate things that are potentially harmful.

12. Find some trees? What is happening to them?

13. Why is there a group of people lined up on the border of the farm?

14. Why did the artist name the painting “The Last Straw?”

15. What could the community have done to change the situation?