



Adapted from *The Fifth Discipline Fieldbook*

I decide that I will never buy anything from the farmstand in front of the farm with no weeds. In fact, I may never buy non-organic asparagus again in my life.

I really don't like the person managing the weed free farm and will never buy vegetables from him. Oh yes, the weed free farm is managed by a male who never listens to his wife.

I decide that the weed free farm is managed by a money grubbing redneck with no regard for the life of the soil, wildlife or his neighbors.

I believe that asparagus can survive in August with a little weed pressure without harm. I prefer farms that grow food without the use of biological toxins.

Both farms grow asparagus. On one farm, there are healthy looking asparagus ferns growing in August with quite a few weeds between the rows. On the other farm, there is bare soil between the rows. Absolutely no weeds.

My wife and I ride our bicycles by two farms in Montague, MA regularly.