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As you watch this documentary, list specific examples of how humans have changed the capacity of a certain environment to support certain species and other species these changes may have negatively affected.

**The change to the environment What was benefited Unintended consequences**

**(What did humans do?) (Why was it done?) (What could have been harmed?)**

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1. “The way we eat has changed more in the last 50 years than in the previous \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

2. “The modern American supermarket has on average \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ products.”

3. “This isn’t just about what we’re eating, this is about what we are allow to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, what we are allow to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. It’s not just our health that’s at risk.”

Fast Food To All Food

4. McDonalds is the largest purchaser of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

5. In the 1970’s the top 5 beef packers controlled only about 25% of the market. Today the top 4 control more than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ % of the market.

6. Due to the desire for larger chickens with bigger breasts and have them grown faster the way that chickens are raised has changed dramatically over the past 30 years. Describe the aspects of processing chickens that has changed:



A CORNucopia of Choices

7. “So much of our industrial food turns out to be clever rearrangements of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

8. List 3 products that are made of corn \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9. List 2 of the “obscure ingredients” that are in products \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

10. CAFOs (Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations) have many aspects that allow them to function. Describe some of the aspects of CAFOs:



Unintended CONSEQUENCES

11. In 1972, the FDA conducted approximately 50,000 food safety inspections. In 2006, the FDA conducted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

12. What happened to Barbara Kowalcyk’s son?

The DOLLAR Menu

13. Why is it that you can buy a double cheeseburger for 99¢ and you can’t even get a head of broccoli for 99¢? Does this make sense? Could this have unintended health consequences for our population?

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In the GRASS

14. Smithfield Hog Processing Plant in Tar Heel is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

15. How many hogs are slaughtered on the kill floor per day? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Hidden COSTS

16. We’re willing to subsidize the food system to create the mystique of cheap food. Why is the food actually so expensive? (what else needs to be considered in the cost)

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17. Large companies like Pepsi, Kraft, and Kellogg don’t organically, thy grow by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The VEIL

18. The fast food industry fought against giving the calorie information and trans fat information. The meat packing industry fought against country of origin labeling and against labeling genetically modified food. Why should consumers have the ‘right to know’ what is in our food?

SHOCKS to the system

19. Modern agriculture uses very few numbers of crops, very few species and very few companies. This type of modern agriculture is dependent on large amounts of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. To bring a cow to slaughter is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gallons of oil.

20. The average consumer does not feel very powerful. When we purchase food we are voting. Do you feel powerful? Did you know that what you are buying now determines what you will be able to buy? Does this documentary make you want to use your vote (the stuff you buy) to demand wholesome food?