

Food Inc Movie Assignment

After the film is over please read and respond to the following questions. A paragraph answer is expected for each answer. You may type the assignment or print it out and write on it.

If you miss all or part of the film it can be viewed at

<http://www.youtube.com/user/TheyDidThis#p/c/57187B796F27D937/0/FC5vQpBRjCk>

1. Do animals have the right to a certain quality of life? Why or Why not?
2. "In a way, we're not producing chickens, we're producing food." What does this statement mean? Do you agree or disagree with it? How might this perspective affect the way that chickens are raised?
3. Do people have the right to know what is in their food?
4. "What can people do to be better informed about what is in the foods they eat?"
5. Should a company have the power to decide what information to give consumers about the food it produces?
6. Imagine that you are asked to make sure a death like Kevin's never happens again. What steps would you take to ensure it doesn't?

7. Should companies be able to own the DNA contained in plant seeds?

8. How effective are labels in helping consumers make decisions about their food? What might be more effective?

9. Yogurt company executive Gary Hirshberg states in the film, "The consumer does not feel very powerful, but it's the exact opposite." When we run an item past the supermarket scanner, we're voting for local or not, organic or not." What does he mean by this statement? Do you agree or disagree with it? Why or why not?

10. Should access to healthy food be a right for everyone?