

Food Inc. Movie Worksheet

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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 allowed to _____, what we are allowed 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, 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:

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A CORNuCopia of Choices

7. "So much of our industrial food turns out to be clever rearrangements of _____."

8. List a few products that are made of corn _____.

9. List a few "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:

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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¢?

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 so expensive?

17. Large companies like Pepsi, Kraft, and Kellogg don't grow organically, they grow by _____

From SEED to the Supermarket

18. Describe some of the actions taken by the Monsanto Corporation to control the seed industry:

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The VEIL

19. 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. Should consumers have the 'right to know' what is in our food? Why?

SHOCKS to the system

20. Modern agriculture uses very few number 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.

21. The average consumer does not feel very powerful. When we purchase food we are voting. Do you feel powerful? Do we know what we are buying? Who we are supporting? How can we demand good wholesome food?