

Name ModelInquiry Path Food influences human culture**CLAIM:** Food shapes how societies establish economic, religious, moral, and political priorities.**Point 1** Food policies influence national stability.**Point 2** Food production raises ethical considerations.**A Supporting Evidence**

"It's no surprise that a recent study shows that countries which pursue pro-agriculture policies have faster reductions in their stunting rates. Agricultural productivity has not only raised incomes, it has also reduced food prices, making it easier for the world's poorest people to feed their families."

(Reference: #2 Leveraging Agri. )

**B Supporting Evidence**

"Many researchers believe that the potato's arrival in northern Europe spelled an end to famine there. (Corn, another American crop, played a similar but smaller role in southern Europe.) More than that, as the historian William H. McNeill has argued, the potato led to empire: "By feeding rapidly growing populations, [it] permitted a handful of European nations to assert dominion over most of the world between 1750 and 1950." The potato, in other words, fueled the rise of the West."

(Reference: #3 Potato )

**A Supporting Evidence**

"'It's more than just 'should I eat meat or not?' It's a question of the way we produce meat. Right now it is incredibly inhumane, but it's also incredibly unsustainable," McGregor says. The major byproducts of meat production are waste and toxins that can be hazardous to human health and to the health of the environment."

(Reference: #9 Gut Reaction )

**B Supporting Evidence**

"...are the food that we decide to feed to livestock, the maize, wheat, and soya. Unfortunately...[they are inefficient animals] they turn 2/3 of that into feces and heat."

(Reference: #10 Global food waste scandal)

**C Supporting Evidence**

"The impact of the American food system on the rest of the world will have implications for your foreign and trade policies as well. In the past several months more than 30 nations have experienced food riots, and so far one government has fallen. Should high grain prices persist and shortages develop, you can expect to see the pendulum shift decisively away from free trade, at least in food."

(Reference: #7 Farmer in Chief )

**D Supporting Evidence**

"Rich or poor, countries struggling with soaring food prices are being forcibly reminded that food is a national-security issue. When a nation loses the ability to substantially feed itself, it is not only at the mercy of global commodity markets but of other governments as well."

(Reference: #7 Farmer in Chief )

**C Supporting Evidence**

"God said, "I need somebody strong enough to clear trees and heave bails, yet gentle enough to tame lambs and wean pigs and tend the pink-combed pullets, who will stop his mower for an hour to splint the broken leg of a meadow lark."

(Reference: #6 So God Made a Farmer)

**D Supporting Evidence**

"These results suggest that appealing to a person's morals, rather than just giving them facts, could be an effective way to change behavior. In ongoing research, Hekler and his ASU colleagues Punam Ohri-Vachaspathi and Christopher Wharton have gathered survey data from about 600 ASU students to explore ways of linking healthful eating with morality."

(Reference: #9 Gut Reaction )