

Why are we wasting so much food?

Vocabulary

Wealthy: having a lot of money and possessions.

Ex. *The fisheries sector may experience temporary crises even in some relatively wealthy countries.*

To struggle: to experience difficulty and make a very great effort in order to do something.

Ex. *The police report even said that she struggled with her assailant and broke a few fingernails.*

To afford: to be able to buy or do something because you have enough money or time.

Ex. *Tom told me that he couldn't afford another divorce.*

Deprivation: a situation in which you do not have things or conditions that are usually considered necessary for a pleasant life.

Ex. *She is studying the effects of sleep deprivation.*

To feed: to give food to.

Ex. *I usually feed the neighbour's cat while she's away.*

Malnourished: not eating enough food or not eating enough healthy food.

Ex. *Malnourished children experience developmental delays, weight-loss and illness as a result of inadequate intake of protein, calories, and other nutrients.*

Fossil fuel: any combustible organic material, as oil, coal, or natural gas, derived from the remains of former life.

Ex. *Brown coal is the only source of fossil fuel available in Slovenia.*

Blemished: to make (something) imperfect or less beautiful; to hurt or damage the good condition of (something).

Ex. *The book is blemished by those long, ineffective descriptions.*

Supplier: a company, person, etc. that provides things that people want or need, especially over a long period of time.

Ex. *Electricity customers should be able to choose their supplier freely.*

To dump: to throw away or discard (garbage, etc.).

Ex. *The company dumped the toxic wastes into this canal.*

To overflow: to flow over the edge or top of (something).

Ex. *The river overflowed its banks.*

Complicit: involved with others in reprehensible or illegal activity.

Ex. *She was accused of being complicit in her husband's death.*

To use up: to finish a supply of something.

Ex. *I'm sorry, I've used up all the milk.*

Dumpster: a large metal container into which people put unwanted objects or building or garden waste, and which is brought to and taken away from a place by a special truck when people ask for it.

Ex. *I found your dad's toolbox in the dumpster out back.*



To toss: to throw, esp. lightly or carelessly.

Ex. *She came in and tossed her coat on the chair.*

Retailer: a person or business that sells things directly to customers for their own use.

Ex. *The company is a leading retailer of women's clothing.*

Livestock: the horses, cattle, sheep, and other useful animals kept or raised on a farm or ranch.

Ex. *This is a market where **livestock** is bought and sold.*



Subsidy: money that is paid usually by a government to keep the price of a product or service low or to help a business or organization to continue to function.

Ex. *The planned subsidy is EUR 3.3 million.*