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Topic: **Impact of Food on the Environment**

Students enrolled in MAT0002 will read:  
<http://www.michaelpollan.com/article.php?id=97> and list three statistics mentioned in Mr. Pollan's letter to the President of the United States. They will discuss in a paragraph what detrimental impact *one* of these statistics may have on the health and welfare of future generations.

Several examples include:

“The U.S.D.A. estimates that Americans throw out 14 percent of the food they buy.”

“According to one study, a pound of feedlot beef also takes 5,000 gallons of water to produce.”

“...40 percent of the world's grain output today is fed to animals; 11 percent of the world's corn and soybean crop is fed to cars and trucks, in the form of biofuels.”