

“The Challenges We Face” Analysis Questions

Answer at least 5 of the 8 questions below using evidence from the text. Your answers should be in complete sentences.

1. Why does the author state the globe does not need to be saved by us?
2. What is the purpose of “sustainable development”
3. According to the article, fifteen cash crops (such as corn, wheat, and rice) account to 90% of our food supply. Why is this a concern?
4. What are the pros and cons of genetically modified organisms (GMOs)? Do you believe we should or should not be messing with GMOs? Why or why not?
5. How might GMOs help alleviate our potential water shortage?
6. A good portion of the world is still without electrical infrastructure. Why is the development of these areas a concern to global leaders?
7. Why might a decrease in biodiversity be a concern for humans?
8. Mark Malloch Brown states that “the key now is to put people first and the environment second...” Why might this be considered both a radical, but potentially correct, thought in today’s society?