

THE FUTURE OF FOOD

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Article access through the National Geographic website:

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/foodfeatures/feeding-9-billion/>

Video of a conference presentation by the author of the article (may be helpful):

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Spgo4nNYsuQ>

Within your lifetime, the population of the world is expected to reach 9-billion people. We are experiencing problems trying to feed the current population of the world, estimated at about 7.2-billion (<http://www.worldometers.info/world-population/>). This article from the May 2014 issue of National Geographic (part of their eight-part series on The Future of Food) makes the case for 5 pivotal changes the author thinks would increase our chances of producing enough food.

Out of these 5 suggested changes, your job is to select the 3 changes you think will have the best odds of making a significant difference in feeding 9-billion people worldwide. List your 3 choices – and write a paragraph for each choice explaining why you think it has the best chance of working.