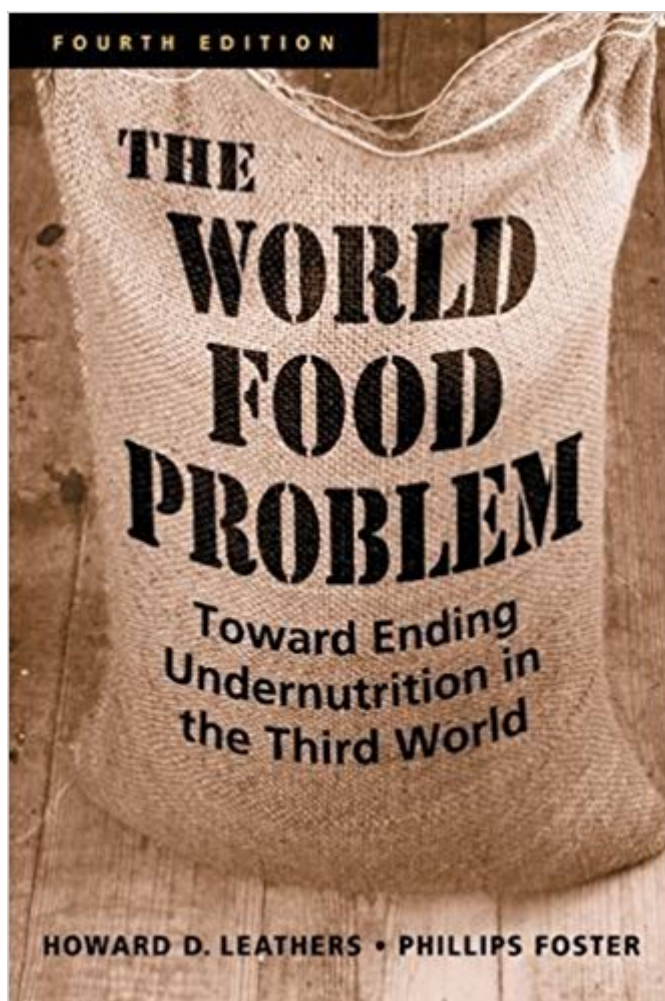


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# The World Food Problem: Toward Ending Undernutrition In The Third World



## Synopsis

Why do millions of people in the less-developed countries go hungry, while there is an abundance of food in the world? What can be done about it? These are the issues explored in this accessible and comprehensive text. In addition to incorporating updated data throughout, this new edition includes: a comprehensive description and analysis of the 2008 food crisis; an expanded discussion of the impact of using food crops to produce biofuels; new case studies and recent examples to illustrate key points; examples of successful and unsuccessful policy approaches; reference to the latest research findings (with more than 150 new citations). The result is the best available analysis of the current world food problem, as well as a provocative assessment of prospects for the future.

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Why are there still approximately 1 billion people who do not have food security? This excellent book ... gives the facts, explains the causes and suggests mitigating policies.... It is a must for all who are deeply concerned with the unacceptable scale of abject poverty and undernutrition that exists in the world today. --Richard Strange, *Food Security* A boldly multidisciplinary approach that captures all the complexity of the causes of, and solutions to, hunger ... in an engaging and often witty manner that is simple but never simplistic. --Mark G. Cohen, *Hunger Notes* A fine book, which should be widely adopted as a text for world food courses. --George J. Viksnins, *Journal of Developing Areas*

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This book is great. It gives all the issues in clear ways and makes it easy to understand. I found it to be interesting and a great text for my economics course.

Purchased this as a textbook, (S/O to Howard Leathers if he ever reads this) it not only is an interesting textbook, it also contains a lot of valuable information for anyone casually interested in the subject, written in a fashion that will catch your attention.

I am writing this review as a Mechanical Engineering student at Iowa State University, who used *The World Food Problem: Toward Ending Undernutrition in the Third World* as the text for an elective three credit class on world food issues. I used the book for daily assigned readings, as well as to answer questions on the exam study guides. College students taking an elective class that uses *The World Food Problem: Toward Ending Undernutrition in the Third World* as the main text book will find this review useful. The criteria that I used to evaluate this product were the usefulness of the text for my class, the condition of the book, and the delivery promptness.

**Usefulness** This book was very useful in the sense that it applied directly to my class and I was able to perform well on exams based on information found in the text, despite the fact that the class was not within my major. It was unbiased and very well written, and covered all the points of hunger issues facing the world today. Everything from economics of the issues to the moral concerns were addressed, and both the negative and positive views that currently exist in society were explained. The authors did not take one side or the other, but simply explained what arguments exist, and had the data and references to back up the claims. On the other hand, the book was outdated and used a lot of data from 2008 for economic comparisons as well as to describe what was currently happening in the area of world food problems today.

**Book Condition** My expectations for the condition of the book were that it would contain no highlighting or writing, and the cover would be in very good condition with no creases. This book had no markings and all of the pages were intact, but the cover had some slight wear at the corners from the delivery process.

**Delivery** For the delivery of this product, I was expecting the textbook to be delivered to my house at the address that I specified during the ordering process and within the estimated delivery date provided by .com, so I would have it before the start of my class. The delivery met all of my expectations.

Thank you for taking the time to read my review. I hope this will be useful for making purchasing decisions regarding *The World Food*

Problem: Toward Ending Undernutrition in the Third World.

I had to buy this text as part of my masters course, which I never like doing. In the end, however, I found the book provided a good overview of the many, many issues that impact on food security with useful examples and explained in terms that a non economist or agronomist can understand. Recommended if you are starting off in the area or want a good overview of the issues. As an added bonus it also has a nice little economic argument for why becoming vegetarian won't save the world which I've found very useful when having dinner with friends who've done just that (become vegetarians to save the world) and are preaching at me while I try and eat my steak in peace.

Good seller! Everything's alright. Thanks!

I got the book in an okay time frame and it was just as i expected it to look like.

I bought this book for a course I was taking at Iowa State University. It is a jewel. The book provides comprehensive but easy-to-understand explanations for exceptionally complex problems. I was especially impressed (and grateful) at the authors' conceptualization of commodities markets and the intentions and results of various well-meaning agricultural policies. I may not have any answers but I feel I better understand the problems. And as the GI Joe's taught us, knowing is half the battle.

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