

Reading Enhancement Reflective Reading Journal

Week 3	
Article: Lifeboat Ethics: The Case Against Helping the Poor Author: Garrett Hardin	
Themes	poverty, overpopulation, wealth defining power.
Useful/Interesting Quotes	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. If we divide the world crudely into rich nations and poor nations, two thirds of them are desperately poor, and only one-third comparatively rich, with the United States, the wealthiest of all. 2. The modern approach to foreign aid stresses the export of technology and advice rather than money and food. 3. My reply is simple: "Get out and yield your place to others."
Vocabulary (5 new words with meanings)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Metaphor: a figure of speech in which a word or phrase literally denoting one kind of object or idea is used in place of another to suggest a likeness or analogy between them. 2. Depository: a place where something is placed or deposited, especially for safekeeping. 3. Aggregate: something formed by adding together several amounts or things. 4. Abhorrent: hateful, detestable. 5. persist: continue in an opinion or course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition, carry on.
Summary (within 150 words)	Poverty rates have been steadily rising in recent years. We are letting poverty to grow in our society day by day. We are all Humans. We have sentiments and sympathies for others. We are really distressed whenever we notice that our neighbors or relatives are experiencing any type of difficulty. As a result of

	<p>this humanity, some affluent nations assist poor nations and boost their growth. However, it is not at all pleasant. As a result, the country's growth would stagnate, and it will eventually become a non-development country. Again, when we support the helpless in this way, they become reliant and, in most cases, lose their potential to develop. However, it would be a sensible action if we could encourage them in discovering that they must accomplish something on their own in order to be successful.</p>
Course Content Focus:	<p>1. In your opinion, how successful has Hardin been in his use of the features of pathos in the article to convince the readers? Provide specific examples from the article.</p> <p>Ans: In my opinion, Hardin has been successful in his use of the features of pathos in the article to convince the readers. By talking about the future of Earth and the reader, Hardin appeals to the reader's pathos. Hardin believes that if the present assistance trend continues, future generations will inherit a devastated earth. This makes the audience think about his or her own children, and they become concerned for their safety. As a result of this, the audience agreed with Hardin out of fear.</p>
	<p>2. In your opinion, how successful has Hardin been in his use of the features of ethos in the article to convince the readers? Provide specific examples from the article.</p> <p>Ans: In my opinion, Hardin has been successful in his use of the features of ethos in the article to convince the readers. He shows his knowledge, for example, by using statistical and quantitative statistics to back up his claims. According to Hardin (660), the population of poor nations grows at a rate of 2.5 percent every year. Hardin informs readers that India's population grew from 1.2 billion to 1.2 billion within only 28 years. These figures provide the reader a strong feeling of the author's authority and trustworthiness. He has conducted extensive research and used it to demonstrate that the current trajectory is unsustainable.</p>

	<p>3. In your opinion, how successful has Hardin been in his use of the features of logos in the article to convince the readers? Provide specific examples from the article.</p> <p>Ans: In my opinion, Hardin has been successful in his use of the features of in logos the article to convince the readers. The combination of statical data and the results is referred to as logos. According to Hardin, the world's resources can't be dispersed equitably, thus we don't have to try. Attempts to assist the poor with their current predicament will lead to disaster in the future. Giving to the hungry in impoverished countries perpetuates the circle of hunger; helping the poor will eventually result in us overloading and damaging the environment; and allowing immigrants from poor countries to enter the country hastens the world's demise.</p>
<p>Practice Question: (Optional)</p>	<p>Q. To what extent did the writer use the rhetorical appeals of Ethos, Pathos, and Logos in the given article? Analyse and comment on the effectiveness of all three appeals using relevant examples from the article.</p> <p>Guideline for answering the question:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Address the prompt. ● In the first or the last paragraph, make an overall comment on the effective use of all three appeals (and their two features) in one or two sentences. ● Address each appeal in a separate paragraph. ● In each paragraph, analyse (presence or absence) of both features of each appeal and include at least one or two example/s of that feature (if present), or make suggestions (if absent). ● The three appeals may be presented in no particular order, but both features must be discussed in the same paragraph.

