

The Harvest Documentary Questions

Directions: *The Harvest* is a documentary that follows the experiences of 3 migrant worker children. While watching this documentary, answer the following questions. You do NOT have to write in complete sentences, but you need to thoroughly answer each question. Once we are done watching the film, we will write a short comparative analysis that focuses on the themes and effectiveness of *The Harvest* and *And the Earth Did Not Devour Him*.

1. About how many children pick crops in the United States?

Zulema

2. How old is Zulema turning at her birthday party?
3. When did she start picking crops?
4. What are her dreams?
5. What do they pick in El Cenizo, Texas?
6. What hours do they pick from/until?
7. How much money does she earn per week?
8. How far does she think she will make it in school?

Victor

9. Who does Victor care for?
10. What is Pascal (Victor's father) trying to do for his other two daughters?
11. When and where did Victor start working?
12. How does he get paid?
13. Why does Victor say its like doing double work?
14. What is the minimum wage of migrant farm workers?

Perla

15. Where is Perla from?
16. What does Perla feel caused her brother's death?
17. Why can't she finish the school year?
18. What is Perla's dream?
19. What is the average dropout rate of migrant children compared to the national average?

Zulema

20. What are the conditions of the house like when the family arrives at Bear Lake?

21. Why are people waiting in line with the crops?
22. Why does she use an alias?
23. How long does Zulema think she will be working in the fields?

Victor

24. Who has joined Victor's family
25. What was the plan of the family, according to Victor's family? Why haven't they returned to Mexico?
26. What impressed Micaela (Victor's sister) about the work?

Perla

27. Why weren't they able to find work in Alabama?

Victor

28. Why is Victor's family worried?
29. How many farmworkers suffer pesticide poisoning each year?
30. How much does the average farmworker family make per year?

Zulema

31. Why is Zulema's mother sending her to Florida to be with her grandmother and father?
32. How long is she expected to be there?

Victor

33. Why couldn't they follow the harvest to Tennessee?
34. What are Victor's dreams?

Perla

35. Why was Perla excited about returning home?
36. Why couldn't Perla's father work?
37. As a result, what did the family need to do?

Zulema

38. Why did she return from Florida?
39. In her eyes, does she think she is suffering? Why or why not?