

Notes (Seeds of Death)

This file contains these notes, song lyrics, a crossword using words from the song and a set of song strips (each line of the song on a separate strip)..

I usually work with small groups of students. When doing a song we often use the following format:

1. I shuffle the song strips and give each student one strip.
2. In turn each student reads the strip aloud and we talk about the meaning focusing on vocabulary.
3. We repeat this process until all the strips have been gone through. Each student now has several strips.
4. I play the song without pause and the students listen and put the strips together in order. If requested I play the song more than once.
5. When the students are satisfied I hand out the lyrics sheet and we listen to the song again with the lyrics.

The process takes 30-40 minutes depending upon the song.

Supplementary material is sometimes given as homework and sometimes done in class depending up what's available.

*When I feed the poor, they call me a saint. When I ask why
the poor have no food, they call me a communist.*

Dom Helder Camara

Weblinks for further information:

The article that incited *Seeds of Death*

http://www.truthout.org/docs_2005/021005X.shtml

Another protest song

<http://www.seizetheday.org/monsanto/main.htm>

Monsanto's homepage

<http://www.monsanto.com/monsanto/layout/default.asp>

Millions Against Monsanto Campaign

<http://www.organicconsumers.org/monlink.html>

Biotech: Evolution in the Hands of Big Business

<http://www.global-reality.com/biotech/index.asp>

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Seeds of Death

by Wise Hat

From the company that brought us DDT
A brand new kind of technology
Terminator Seeds is the name of the game
A trick, slick idea, as sick as the name
Plant some seeds and raise a crop
Do it once and reach a full stop
Each tiny seed is a ticking bomb
Waiting to go sterile when the harvest is done
Now the future is dark indeed
Polluting the earth with the terminator seed



Terminator, Terminator, Terminator seeds of death
Terminator, Terminator, Freedom screams her last breath

From ages past farmers survived
By saving some seeds and putting them aside
From year to year plant and grow
The cycle of life that we all know
But now there's a plan to break with the past
A new kind of seed that just won't last
For the farm and the farmer to get any older
The farmer has to pay the patent holder
The patent holder gets to decide the cost
It's the garden of evil and paradise lost

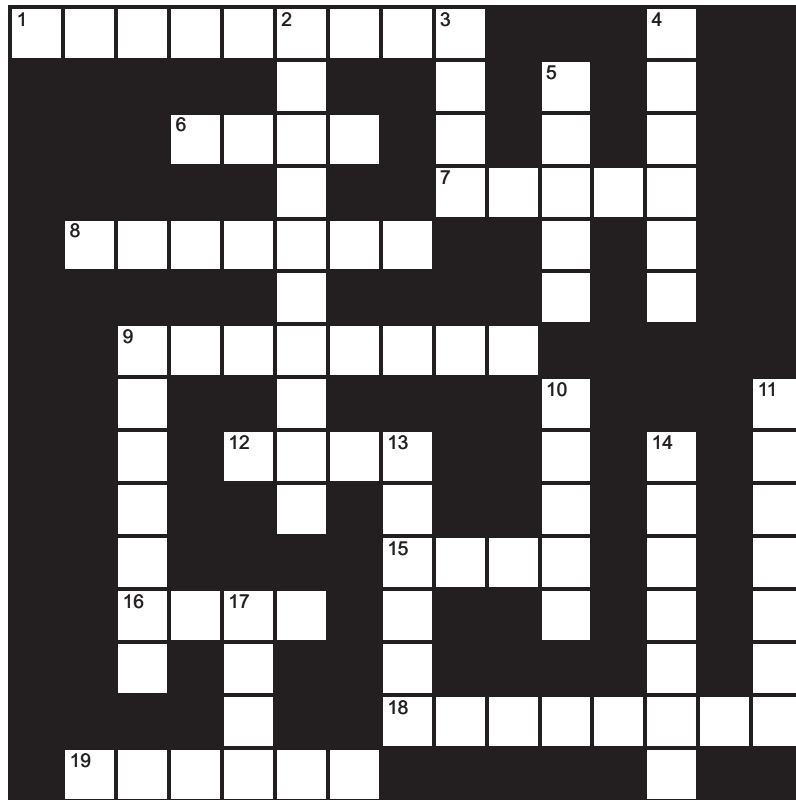
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Who holds the patent to these seeds of hate
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The aim is to control the food supply
Control who lives and control who dies
If it's determined you threaten hegemony
The seeds of death ensure you're history
People of the world if you want to be free
Resist this crime against humanity
And realise if this bio-terror did go wrong
Gaia will be screaming her last death song

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All the words can be found in the song. The clues below go with the song. Sometimes words have more than one meaning. Sometimes using a good dictionary to check words is a good idea.



Across

- 1 Making something dirty (9)
- 6 A place where plants are grown (4)
- 7 Keep something by putting it.... (5)
- 8 Cannot reproduce (7)
- 9 All the people of the earth (8)
- 12 Something dangerous (4)
- 15 Very bad (the opposite of good) (4)
- 16 Terrible (not well) (4)
- 18 One state controlling others (8)
- 19 The source (6)

Down

- 2 The name of a science fiction film (10)
- 3 The Greek Goddess of the Earth (4)
- 4 A document granting an inventor sole rights to an invention (6)
- 5 Slippery and smooth (5)
- 9 The season for gathering crops (7)
- 10 Round and round - repeating events or time (5)
- 11 Slang: "You're dead!" (7)
- 13 Air coming in or out of the body (6)
- 14 Power over something (7)
- 17 Plants grown on a farm (4)

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