

Geographical Careers in Food Security

There are lots of geographers who work to increase food security. Whether that be working for a charity that tries to tackle food waste, to writing policy for the government's environmental department

Below are some examples of jobs geographers may do to help increase food security.

Task: Sort the job roles into examples of local, national and international solutions to food insecurity.

Duration: 10 minutes, plus time for checking understanding

Individual work



<p>1. Design and implement a food waste reduction strategy as a National Sustainability Assistant for a chain of national supermarkets and help supermarkets achieve sustainability and environmental taregts</p>	<p>2. Create social media posts that help raise awareness of the importance of managing food waste in the UK as a Marketing and Engagement Officer for a national charity</p>	<p>3. Design and implement government policies that impact how food is grown and managed in the UK as a Policy Advisor for the government Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.</p>
<p>4. Help people access ethical and sustainable food as a Grocery Buying Manager for an organic food online shop that delivers across the UK. Choose the food that the shop sell, ensuring that the food has sustainable environmental credentials</p>	<p>5. Encourage restaurants, cafes and takeaway shops to sign up to a food waste app that sells leftover food at a discounted price to the public as a Sales Executive for social impact company. The company operates in the UK, France and Denmark</p>	<p>6. Write important documents to help improve food security in an emerging or developing country. This includes running food assistance projects and participating in international climate meetings (like the UN climate talks) as a Programme Policy Officer for the United Nation’s World Food Programme</p>
<p>7. Teach primary school children about where food comes from and educate them on environmental issues as a Schools Programme Facilitator for an education charity based in London</p>	<p>8. Help people access organic fresh produce as a Delivery Driver for a company that delivers organic fruit and vegetables that are grown locally to people’s homes every week across Southeast London</p>	<p>9. Work with school canteens across South East England to support them in ensuring their food is healthy and sourced in an environmentally friendly way as a Local Programme Manager for a charity</p>



Extension Activities

1a. Sort the job roles into top-down (government and large organisations) and bottom-up (charity and community led) solutions

Top-down solutions	Bottom-up solutions

1b. Rank the job roles into those that have the largest impact on improving food security in the United Kingdom to those that have the smallest impact



1c. Justify your ranking

I have ranked _____ as having the largest impact on improving food security in the UK because ...

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