

Discussion Questions for *Permaculture: The Growing Edge*

1. What did you see in the documentary that inspired you? Are there examples or projects you'd like to start in your own home or community?

2. The ethics of permaculture are:

Care for the earth.
Care for people.
Care for the future—sometimes framed as “Re-invest the surplus.” Or
“Share the surplus” or “Limit consumption”.

How do these compare to your own ethics? Are there things you would add? How are all three connected?

3. What's your understanding of permaculture? Has it changed from viewing the film? Also look at the Resource section of our website—the What is Permaculture article, and Starhawk's Common Sense Permaculture Principles.

4. How might permaculture principles and ethics apply in your own work? Your own community?

5. What would the world look like and what would change if we ran our large systems—political and economic—according to permaculture ethics and principles?

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