How the Other Half Dies

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Over the years, many readers have asked me if another edition of How the Other Half Dies would ever appear. I had always, until now, had to disappoint them. This was my first book, published in 1976 and it found a large audience in many countries. I believe the approach and the arguments remain valid even though the figures have become dated. Alas, food and hunger have returned to the top of the international agenda and, yet again, the same tired old technological solutions are proposed. The new twist may be that speculation on food prices has recently replaced speculation on subprime mortgages in the fast-moving capital markets, but essentially everything remains the same, particularly the injustice. As far as capitalism is concerned, food is a commodity like any other. It is not because everyone on earth needs it every day that agribusiness and traders' behaviour will change--quite the contrary. Corporate profits in this sector have skyrocketed since 2007, proving once more that there's nothing like a good crisis for boosting business. Too bad for the millions of people dying for want of land to produce their own food or of money to buy it. The book has now been scanned and can be downloaded from TNI website. Like all the material on the site, you may freely download this text for individual use; in case of commercial use, kindly contact me. Susan George

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How the Other Half Lives: Studies among the Tenements of New York (1890) is an early publication of photojournalism by Jacob Riis, documenting squalid living conditions in New York City slums in the 1880s. The photographs served as a basis for future "muckraking" journalism by exposing the slums to New York City's upper and middle classes. They inspired many reforms of working-class housing, both immediately after publication as well as making a lasting impact in today's society. @article{Skeet1982HowTO, title={How the other half dies.}, author={M. Skeet}, journal={Nursing times}, year={1982}, volume={78 38}, pages={. 1586-8 }). M. Skeet. To set the record straight, focus here is on the following: breast is not always best; identification of some of the other "baby killers" for which it is most likely that the representatives of infant formula producers have been made scapegoats; and clarification of what the various international... CONTINUE READING.