Ethical Arguments for World Food Issues

You are required to write ethical arguments for both your papers and quizzes after Ethics has been introduced in the class. These arguments must make use of ethical theories and principles, such as:

- Rights
- Utilitarianism
- Categorical Imperative
- Virtue
- Natural Law
- Beneficence
- Non-Maleficence
- Justice
- Autonomy
- Paternalism

Simple argument format:

X is morally unacceptable, based on the principle of Rights (or any of the above).

Y is morally acceptable, based on Natural Law (or any of the above).

Of course your arguments and discussion can be much more developed, but you must take a stand on the morality of a subject, and cite an ethical theory or principle (in addition to any other reasons) to back it up.

Examples:

Conquering another country for their resources is morally unacceptable, based on the principle of rights. The people in every country have a right to their resources, and no other country, no matter how powerful or advanced has the right to take those resources for themselves.

Conquering another country for their resources is morally acceptable, based on the principle of natural law. Powerful and more advanced countries can make better use of the resources held by less powerful or advanced peoples. Thus powerful and more advanced countries may conquer and utilize the resources of another weaker and/or less advanced country.