

Appendix 2. Responses to Post-Film Questionnaire for *Beijing Besieged by Waste*

Respondee Type	What did you learn about China's environment from watching this film?	What other reactions do you have to the film?	Would you encourage your friends to watch this film? Yes No Maybe Why?
Faculty/staff	What did you learn about China's environment from watching this film?	What other reactions do you have to the film?	Would you encourage your friends to watch this film? Yes No Maybe Why?
	<p>The problems of dealing with waste—the volume and scope as well as illegal dumping. The sheer volume of the problem feels paralyzing.</p>	<p>It was very depressing. And we didn't even talk about the smog that was a constant in the film.</p>	<p>Yes. I thought it was very informative and it evoked a strong emotional reaction—I left wanting to never use a plastic bag again.</p>
	<p>How the population of Beijing creates such an enormous waste and pollution problem</p>	<p>How human beings cope with poverty waste and pollution</p>	<p>Yes. It uncovers a problem that occurs everywhere though possibly on a scale proportional to the population of an area. [related to how we consume]</p>
	<p>1. Beijing encircled by landfills</p>	<p>1. Don't want to go to Beijing</p>	<p>Yes. This is a problem globally. This is</p>

	<p>2. Reused filtered swill oil</p> <p>3. Wonder how common this is globally</p> <p>4. Contrast abounds</p>	<p>2. Commend filmmaker for making this expose</p> <p>3. Difficult to watch</p> <p>4. An important challenge</p> <p>5. What can I do? Not sure except control my consumption, thus waste.</p> <p>6. I believe this matters.</p>	<p>ever present here—Greenville too. Glad Emory professor mentioned this point.</p>
	<p>I had to leave before the end of the film. Hopefully at the end of the documentary, the filmmaker offers hope of a solution. The current situation is depressing. From the landfills, to the contaminated rivers, to the mining, to the hog farms. . .</p>	<p>I don't think the U.S. is doing much better than China.</p>	<p>Yes. The film made me think about steps I can take to create less garbage.</p>
<p>Students attending for Cultural Life Program Credit</p>	<p>What did you learn about China's environment from watching this film?</p>	<p>What other reactions do you have to the film?</p>	<p>Would you encourage your friends to watch this film?</p> <p><i>Yes No Maybe</i></p> <p>Why?</p>

	The air is terrible The water is extremely unclean	It just looks terrible	
	Beijing is surrounded by waste dumps	Surprised and shocked at the severity of waste management problem in urban areas.	Yes. Insightful and worthwhile to watch.
	I learned about China's Environment and impact of landfills.	I was happy how educational it was/Shocked with how many landfills and how they just build farms on top of them.	Yes. Educational and opens eyes to issues that are growing in China.
	It's good to be educated about what landfills do to the environment and how they attempt to cover the problem.	I think it's interesting that the film was so neutral in that its primary focus was to present the world with the problem.	Yes. It's important to be educated about this, and I think that this problem can be a problem the whole world faces.
	That China has a huge problem with waste and smoke and they are not doing anything about it.	I thought that it was shocking that people fed trash to their animals.	Maybe. Because it makes you think about waste/economic expansion.
	I learned that in Beijing they are building right on top of landfills.	The state of waterways in the film was horrible. The reused oil was even worse.	Maybe. The film does a good job documenting the issue but there is very little discussion in terms of what can be done about the problem.
	I learned about the waste lands around Beijing and the poor environmental	I felt . . . [illegible] and motivated to address these issues in my own life.	Maybe. If my friend was interested in these topics, I might recommend this

	conditions and policies.		film.
	Beijing has an uncontrollable waste disposition issue.	There is no readily conceivable answer to Beijing's waste issue.	No. You could learn all of this by reading articles that would take significantly less time.
Students encouraged to attend for class	What did you learn about China's environment from watching this film?	What other reactions do you have to the film?	Would you encourage your friends to watch this film? <i>Yes No Maybe</i> Why?
	That there is a ring of trash around Beijing and they are avoiding the problem of fixing it. Large gap between the rich and poor. And people live off trash.	Shocked that the rate of industrialism is so high when the buildings are being built so close to the landfills that give off a negative externality (smell)	Yes. Opens your eyes about environmental issues in China. Relates to bigger problem of pollution and ozone when garbage is burned.
	It's taking over the surrounding Beijing area	I was surprised people went to these landfills for their food	Yes. It was eye opening about landfill issues in China.
	That the area surrounding Beijing is covered in landfills and it is affecting the lives of the people that can't afford to live elsewhere	The waste is very extreme and affecting the health of the citizens	Yes. It is extremely eye opening and thought provoking about these problems.

	<p>I learned a lot about China's problems with waste management and the lack of measures the government is taking.</p>	<p>It was surprising at how badly the environment has gotten and that it's not being addressed.</p>	<p>Yes. I thought it was a well made documentary that was very effective in its message.</p>
	<p>China's environment isn't improving. As the landfills grow the residential lives grows at the same rate. High pollution in air and waterways.</p>	<p>I was extremely surprised to see how much trash Beijing could produce. 30,000 tons of trash a day, 3 years, no more landfill space.</p>	<p>Yes. It opens your eyes to how bad and harmful Beijing's environment is due to the waste of people. You wouldn't believe how many landfills are surrounding Beijing.</p>
	<p>I had no idea how much waste Beijing produced and used in their landfills. They also found ways (the end) to cover up the landfills to be a more productive use of the land.</p>	<p>The people that deal with trash for a living seems to be dirty and not very happy. It is very unfortunate that people have to live their life in this way.</p>	<p>Yes. Shows how important recycling is and that waste can have a significant effect on the environment around the landfills.</p>
	<p>There are major problems with waste management in China and it has made me more aware of this</p>	<p>It has made me sympathetic and sad for the people in China that landfills and waste management in general has played an effect on.</p>	<p>Maybe. I personally was not aware of this waste problem in China and watching this film and spreading the word may make people more aware and make them do something about it.</p>
	<p>Waste problems are impacted by lower</p>	<p>Seems similar to our own</p>	<p>Maybe. If they have interest</p>

	class . . . [illegible] trying to make a living.		
Students Required to Attend for Class	What did you learn about China’s environment from watching this film?	What other reactions do you have to the film?	Would you encourage your friends to watch this film? <i>Yes No Maybe</i> Why?
	Farmland—landfill—buildings	I didn’t realize there was that much waste. The amount of waste was gross.	Maybe. It’s educational, but boring.
	Growing issues about China’s waste management and how garbage is transported, treated, and how it is handled later.	I was very intrigued by the people who chose to live near the landfills and sort through the garbage – juxtaposed against the people living in Beijing.	Maybe. It is a long film and may not appeal to all people with the long, silent shots and lack of resolution. It leaves the audience feeling a particular way.
	Beijing is surrounded by waste and people are literally living in garbage	Urbanization is becoming a huge issue in China especially	Maybe. The artistic presentation of the film made it very dry.
	I learned that China’s environmental issues with regard to waste and water pollution are being caused in large part by very poor planning on China’s part regarding urban planning and	What I’ve seen convinces me more than ever that China is going to have major problems in the near future as a result of it rocketing unchecked into the 21 st Century.	Maybe. I think that if someone were interested in the topic, I would recommend it as an excellent resource. However, it’s not a particularly accessible or engaging film on the

	development.		whole in my opinion.
	The poor placement and management of China's dumps are having severe negative effects on key factors of the country's environment especially the ground water.	In all honesty the film makes me want to avoid visiting China because of the pollution, at least until the problem gets better.	Maybe. I don't think this film has much relevance to most Americans and I don't think that much can be done from the outside. I do believe that this was quite an interesting and eye-opening film so it may be worth watching to some.
	Waste is another prime issue in China besides air pollution		Maybe. Depends if they're interested in this topic.