Why are we wasting so much food?

Vocabulary

**Wealthy:** having a lot of money and possessions.
Ex. *The fisheries sector may experience temporary crises even in some relatively wealthy countries.*

**To struggle:** to experience difficulty and make a very great effort in order to do something.
Ex. *The police report even said that she struggled with her assailant and broke a few fingernails.*

**To afford:** to be able to buy or do something because you have enough money or time.
Ex. *Tom told me that he couldn’t afford another divorce.*

**Deprivation:** a situation in which you do not have things or conditions that are usually considered necessary for a pleasant life.
Ex. *She is studying the effects of sleep deprivation.*

**To feed:** to give food to.
Ex. *I usually feed the neighbour's cat while she's away.*

**Malnourished:** not eating enough food or not eating enough healthy food.
Ex. *Malnourished children experience developmental delays, weight-loss and illness as a result of inadequate intake of protein, calories, and other nutrients.*

**Fossil fuel:** any combustible organic material, as oil, coal, or natural gas, derived from the remains of former life.
Ex. *Brown coal is the only source of fossil fuel available in Slovenia.*

**Blemished:** to make (something) imperfect or less beautiful; to hurt or damage the good condition of (something).
Ex. *The book is blemished by those long, ineffective descriptions.*

**Supplier:** a company, person, etc. that provides things that people want or need, especially over a long period of time.
Ex. *Electricity customers should be able to choose their supplier freely.*

**To dump:** to throw away or discard (garbage, etc.).
Ex. *The company dumped the toxic wastes into this canal.*

**To overflow:** to flow over the edge or top of (something).
Ex. *The river overflowed its banks.*

**Complicit:** involved with others in reprehensible or illegal activity.
Ex. *She was accused of being complicit in her husband's death.*
To use up: to finish a supply of something.
Ex. I’m sorry, I’ve used up all the milk.

Dumpster: a large metal container into which people put unwanted objects or building or
garden waste, and which is brought to and taken away from a place by a special
truck when people ask for it.
Ex. I found your dad’s toolbox in the dumpster out back.

To toss: to throw, esp. lightly or carelessly.
Ex. She came in and tossed her coat on the chair.

Retailer: a person or business that sells things directly to customers for their own use.
Ex. The company is a leading retailer of women’s clothing.

Livestock: the horses, cattle, sheep, and other useful animals kept or raised on a farm or
ranch.
Ex. This is a market where livestock is bought and sold.

Subsidy: money that is paid usually by a government to keep the price of a product or
service low or to help a business or organization to continue to function.
Ex. The planned subsidy is EUR 3.3 million.