

December 16 Day 65

**Review the Quizlet vocabulary B before our quiz.**

After the quiz, take out the Charts and Graphs Handout -- at the bottom of the page there are questions about the Index.

Using the Index

What is an Index? Why is it a useful tool?

The grain elevator was invented in Buffalo. Pollan has a whole chapter about the grain elevator.

- Does Pollan mention Buffalo in the book?
- If so, what does he say about Buffalo?
- How would you locate a reference to Buffalo?

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Goal: Using the Index

The Index is a list of all the nouns in a book.

Why is the index so important?

- Sometimes you just want to find a few pieces of specific information
- Sometimes you want to "prejudge" an author by checking some of his opinions
- the index lets you locate information without having to read the entire book because ...
- Life is too short to read boring books

Index:

- sometimes you have to look in two or three places
- there are **headings** and **subheadings**  
(alcohol has five subheadings)

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1. Archer, Daniels, Midland - agribusiness 51 bottom.
2. atrazine - weed killer banned in Europe 155
3. "We can**not but** pity the boy who has never fired a gun."
4. seasonal meat - [look under *meat*]
5. an extensive network of threadlike fungus; NPK fertilizer destroys it [157, sidebar]
6. Cattle Are Fed Organic (**no**)

What are two reasons for consulting the index?

- 1.
- 2.

The index has \_\_\_\_\_ings and  
\_\_\_\_\_ings.

No new homework tonight! Did you finish  
Part III?