

## Questionnaire

by Wendell Berry

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How much poison are you willing  
to eat for the success of the free  
market and global trade? Please  
name your preferred poisons.

For the sake of goodness, how much  
evil are you willing to do?  
Fill in the following blanks  
with the names of your favorite  
evils and acts of hatred.

What sacrifices are you prepared  
to make for culture and civilization?  
Please list the monuments, shrines,  
and works of art you would  
most willingly destroy.

In the name of patriotism and  
the flag, how much of our beloved  
land are you willing to desecrate?  
List in the following spaces  
the mountains, rivers, towns, farms  
you could most readily do without.

State briefly the ideas, ideals, or hopes,  
the energy sources, the kinds of security,  
for which you would kill a child.  
Name, please, the children whom  
you would be willing to kill.

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