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# Excerpt from Letter to Reader's Digest from Carson

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## Description

A paraphrase of an excerpt from the letter Rachel Carson sent to <cite>Reader's Digest</cite> in 1945 offering to write an article about the dangers of DDT:

## Body

The following is a paraphrase of an excerpt from the letter Rachel Carson sent to *Reader's Digest* in 1945 offering to write an article about the dangers of DDT:

The experiments at Patuxent have been planned to show what effects DDT may have if applied to wide areas: how it will affect insects, waterfowl, or birds that depend on insect food, and whether the use of DDT may upset the whole delicate balance of nature \* (Stwertka, p. 37).

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