

How Have Humans Affected Life In The Oceans?

How does population growth affect the planet?

The source of all the resources humans need, such as food metals and fuel, is earth. Humans are very successful creatures. We compete with other organisms for many natural resources, such as:

How many humans are on earth?

There are currently about 7.8 billion people living on planet earth. By 2050, this figure is predicted to grow around 9.6 billion people. This is explaining why there is so much plastic in the ocean.

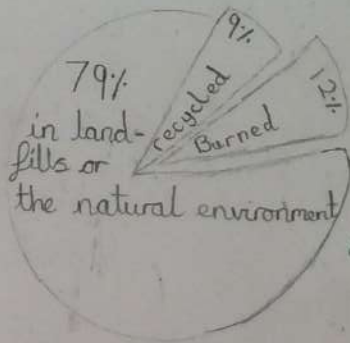
- lands for agriculture buildings and roads;
- trees and plants for timber, food and fabric;
- water for drinking irrigation and industry.

Plastic Pollution!

Although plastic can be very useful for certain occasions, it doesn't always mean it is the best strategy. Because of the overuse of plastic, it is hard to imagine life without it! However, it makes the lives of Britain's wildlife much harder.

Fun Fact of the day!

Did you know that 8 out of 10 pieces of plastic made over the last 70 years have been thrown away?



What is Biodiversity?

This means that all of a certain animal or plants. We, as humans, affect this by, pollution, deforestation, hurting animals for their fur or even in certain medicines.

Whales

Whales are at the top of the food chain and have an important role in the over all health of the marine environment. WWF (World Wildlife Fund) has been actively working to protect whales for 50 years. In 1984 we helped to convince the world to ban commercial whaling. WWF documents work to protect critical feeding and breeding areas and migration routes of whales.

Sea turtles

Sea turtles are a fundamental link in marine ecosystems. They help maintain the health of seagrass beds and coral reefs that benefit commercially valuable species such as shrimp, lobster and tuna. Sea turtles are the live representatives of a group of reptiles that have existed on Earth and travelled our seas for the last 100 million years.