

## The Great Green Read



Dear Sir Duncan,

It's me, Bluey (the creator of your oceanic painting society). I wanted to say I have always loved being your (favourite) crayon. However, this is not all I want to tell you! I am deeply concerned because ... Sorry I am welling up in tears. Because while looking upon pics of the ocean (the best part of the Earth), I came across facts that nearly made me faint! My perfect ocean blue is being poisoned by ... **PLASTIC!** Oh, oh just thinking of it! Oh! ✓

If I had were to have one wish, it would be for you to take a stand against pollution and to help save my oceans. ✓✓

For my first fact, Dunc, let me tell about this horrid material (plastic). It's ~~every~~ everywhere! Yes, yes you may think it is useful. And it is! It is durable, waterproof and can take lots of forms.

You see, the thing wrong with plastic is that every year eight million tonnes of plastic leak into our prestine oceans and kill more and more life in the sea. ✓ St. t. t. 79%

sea by the second. Statistics show 11% of our plastic waste is either in landfills or oceans! Plastic takes forever to decompose (no actually 450 years on average to be precise). I see this all the time in lakes, rivers and oceans! Like I said it is everywhere! Duncas, you should really consider heeding my advice!

Another horrific problem is, Climate Change! And I think I speak for all things great, small and crayony, that this is horrid! The effects of this are devastating! Because of our transport, we are sending more and more toxic chemicals into our Earth's atmosphere, and heating it up! Now, now Duncas you may not see how this affects the ocean, but believe me now it does! Massively! I will tell you now, our waters are heating up although you may not know it. (Especially in Britain!) The effects of this are coral reefs are being bleached and the marine life that inhabits these waters that are maybe endangered are forced to move away as it is not a sustainable place to live. Some may die as they are only used to the waters of the reefs. This makes me sad and angry all at once. Do something please!

Oh yes, one last thing, there are loads upon loads of endangered species, but I must tell you of my fave. The Bluefin Tuna! (Well because it is blue)! This specimen is endangered because of overfishing and illegal fishing. You should never do this as you would

we sent to you. The WWF are doing alot because since 2008 WWF have been tagging the bluefin tuna, so they can learn its activity, so they can help them live and not go extinct!

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Now, I have loved writing, but I must go for a nap and while I do that, you do whatever it takes to help our ocean! Come on Dunc you can do this!

Your dear friend

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Jacob  
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