
TODAY'S NEWS

Sea animals in danger from pollution



Do you ever think about your favorite sea animal? Have you ever seen a bag or a piece of trash on the ground and don't pick it up? Well think about all those poor animals choking and dying because of trash.



Whales, fish, octopuses, turtles and even dolphins die everyday from oil spills, trash, and bags. Plastic never goes away and some how it is finding its way to our beaches and oceans. In the Los Angeles area alone 10 metric tons of plastic bags, straws and soda cans are carried into the Pacific Ocean everyday. Sea turtles are among 300 species that eat or get caught in plastic litter.

Do you remember when you left that snack bag on the ground? Well chances are it could be killing a dolphin right now. We are surrounded by plastic. Think about all the plastic you touch everyday. Grocery bags, water bottles, coffee cup lids, and the list goes on and on. Most ocean pollution starts on land and then gets carried by wind and into our oceans. The North Pacific Gyre, also known as the Great Pacific garbage patch, is twice the size of Texas and still growing and the trash their never goes away it wears down into smaller pieces and fish can mistake it as food. Some of this pollution is dangerous and can cause cancer-causing mutations. Today, billions of plastic is found swirling around in the ocean. About 40% of the ocean is covered up by trash.

So next time you see a piece of trash or drop a bag on the ground, you might want to pick it up. You could be saving lots of lives. A small chance can make a big difference.

