

**Seafood item: Research paper on species that is fished commercially (50 points)**

Goal: to research a species in the ocean that is caught commercially in any part of the world

- Share on a google document to [amutsaers@aznsa.com](mailto:amutsaers@aznsa.com) by 4/6/2020

Requirements:

- Introduction where you clearly identify the species you researched and want to discuss
  - Example: “Crab” or “shrimp” is too broad. You must define which species you are talking about (does it have a scientific Latin name?)
  - Whales and dolphins are off limits (we discussed them at length already)
- Describe the role this organism has in the food chain (Producer? Herbivore? Carnivore? Apex predator?) What does it consume and does anything consume it (besides humans)?
- Identify and describe the method used to fish for this organism
- Conclude why this organism is important to the health of the ocean’s ecosystems. Why should we conserve them and how should we conserve them?
- Include at least three resources you used.
  - You can start with Wikipedia, but have three resources besides that
  - Check that it is from a reputable source. If unsure, do some research or ask the teacher.

Rubric (each number x2, + 2 points for your name = 50)

	4	3	2	1
Introduction /Identification	Creative introduction with species clearly defined with Latin name	Attempt at creative introduction with species clearly defined with only common name	Intro bland and boring/ Not clearly defined	No intro/ No effort to define it
Role	Describes role and how it interacts with other organisms	Describes role	Describes what it consumes	No effort
Fishing	Identifies and describes all the methods used to catch it	Identifies and describes some of the methods used to catch it	Identifies methods to catch it	Does not identify method/describes the wrong method
Conclusion	Wraps up points nicely and ties the entire paper together	Summarizes points presented clearly	Does not follow the evidence from before	Little effort/not present
Spelling/Grammar	Checked thoroughly, only 1-2 mistakes	3-5 mistakes	6-9 mistakes	10 or more mistakes
Resources	3 or more reputable resources			Less than 3 reputable resources

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\*If you have read this far, include the following vocabulary word in the correct context within your paper for 2 pts extra credit: "Indubitably"