Why We Should Not Pollute the Ocean

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Good morning! Did you know that about 100 million marine animals die each year from only plastic waste? Many marine animals are dying because we humans are polluting the ocean. Why do people throw waste products in the ocean? How does pollution affect marine life? What I will be talking about today is why we shouldn’t pollute the ocean, what we can do to protect marine life, and what causes pollution in the ocean.

We shouldn’t pollute the ocean because it affects marine life. There are many different kinds of pollutions that happen in the ocean. One kind of pollution that happens in the ocean is chemical pollution. Chemical pollution happens when chemicals runoff into waterways that flow into the ocean. When this happens, toxic chemicals are in the water and can harm animals. This is why we should be more be careful with chemicals. Another thing that pollutes the ocean is littering. For example, when you throw plastic into the ocean animals can accidentally eat it or can get the plastic wrapped around its head and can suffocate.

What we can do to protect marine life is to avoid using ocean-harming products according to ocean.org. Other things we could do is help take care of the beaches and avoid using plastic products. By doing this, we can help the environment get better. For example, we can also recycle and reuse plastic to not waste it. You may ask why is marine life so important? Marine life is important because it affects the nature in the planet. If marine life dies, then humans die because the ocean provides all the things that we need to live on the planet according to oceanfilmtour.com.

Many things pollute the ocean, including humans. Humans are polluting the ocean by throwing plastic and things that aren’t good for animals, fishing too much, destroying animals’ habitat, and having oil spills. The main cause of water pollution is from sewage and wastewater treatment. About 8 million tons of plastic enters our ocean each year. Also, about 88% of the seas surface is polluted by plastic waste. If things continue as is, by 2050 there will be more plastic than fish in the ocean according to X.com.

These were the reasons why we should not pollute the ocean. Pollution is very harmful to humans, animals, and more. The major impact of the pollution in the ocean affects mainly on humans. The marine debris can also interfere with the safety and potentially causing danger or threat to human health. I hope you enjoyed my speech and hope you learned something new!