# **NEKTONS OF THE PACIFIC**

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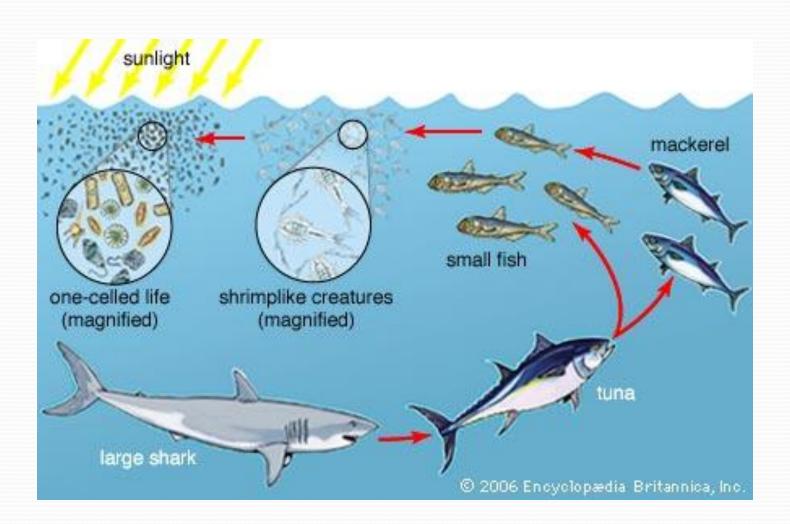
### **TYPES OF NEKTONS**

Tiger SharkDolphinBarracuda

Sea Turtle

Sting Ray

# **NEKTON FOOD CHAIN**



#### **EFECTS OCEAN POLUTION**

An estimated 3.5 million tons of trash reside in this landfill that are the result of whirling currents in the Pacific Ocean that pull trash and pollution into the ocean. The landfill's area is 3.45 million kilometers squared -- that's a lot of trash.

Pollution is everyone's responsibility. In terms of the Pacific Ocean, as estimated 20 percent of the pollution comes from ships at sea that may dump waste or cargo



#### **TIGER SHARKS**

These large, blunt-nosed predators have a duly earned reputation as man-eaters. They are second only to great whites in attacking people. they are not likely to swim away after biting a human, as great whites frequently do. They are consummate scavengers, with excellent senses of sight and smell and a nearly limitless menu of diet items



Dolphins are very intelligent and they seem to be well loved by humans. This aquatic mammal has been able to fascinate us in a variety of ways. They are curious, form strong bonds within their pod, and they have been known to help humans in a variety of circumstances including rescues and with fishing.

### **BARRACUDA**

This sleek, torpedo-shaped fish with sharp, pointy teeth has

earned the name "Tiger of the Sea." With its flexible, slim body, the barracuda is particularly adapted to swimming among coral reefs, which requires intricate moves through tight turns

# SEA TURTLES

Sea turtles live in almost every ocean basin throughout the world, nesting on tropical and subtropical beaches. Each species relies on a different diet: greens eat sea grasses; leatherbacks feed on jellyfish and soft-bodied animals; loggerheads eat heavy-shelled animals such as crabs and clams

#### **STING RAYS**

The <u>Stingray has a very interesting shape</u> to it. The body is flat and they feature a tail that is long and thin. The tail is where the stingers are located. The venom is very strong in the stingers and it could result in a person becoming very ill or even dying. However, most species of Stingrays aren't harmful to people but the few that are have made people very afraid of this creature overall.

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