A dramatic blue ocean wave crashing under a cloudy sky. The water is a deep, vibrant blue, and the wave is curling over, creating a tunnel-like effect. The sky is filled with dark, heavy clouds, and the overall mood is powerful and somewhat somber. In the background, a sandy beach and some trees are visible on the right side.

# Lesson 2: How H(YOU)mans Can Help The Ocean

# Reduce The Effect Of Climate Change

- Use energy efficient appliances
- Turning off the lights when the room is not in use
- Taking alternative modes of transportation like walking or bicycling
- Using public transportation or carpooling



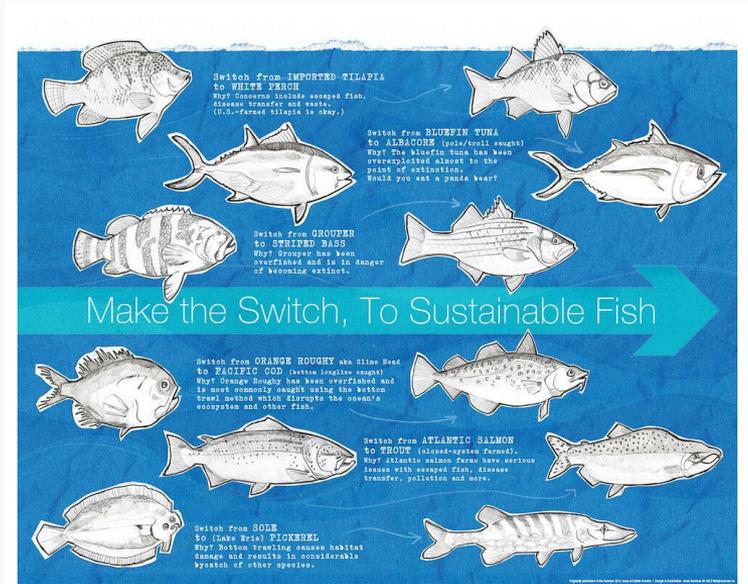
# Reduce Pollution

- Recycle
- Use biodegradable products
- Don't litter



# Reduce Overfishing and Habitat Destruction

- Buy and eat only seafood caught through sustainable means



# Reduce Non-Native Species

- Don't release unwanted water, plants, or animals collected from other ecosystems
- Don't dump ballast water from boats

# Spread Your Knowledge

- Share what you learned with other people and help reduce human impact on the ocean



# Organize Or Attend A Beach Cleanup

- There are hundreds of organizations dedicated to cleaning up the ocean and they need a hand! Or a thousand hands! Or more!
- Some organizations are...
  - Surfrider foundation
  - Puget Soundkeeper Alliance
  - As well as other individuals in your community

Choose a Cause to Contribute to!

# For example: Orcas

8 things you can do to help save the orcas:

1. Develop an appreciation for the Salish Sea and beyond!
2. Switch to natural cleaners!
3. Reduce your use of plastic
4. Help reduce stormwater pollution
5. Eat sustainable seafood
6. Learn to be Whale Wise
7. Support funding for salmon habitat restoration
8. Get involved in local restoration work

Continue To Help The Ocean!