

HUMAN IMPACT: OVERFISHING

Countless generations of people have depended on fishing for their livelihood and sustenance. Unfortunately, overfishing poses a threat to this. **Overfishing** is harvesting a species of fish faster than the fish can reproduce, which can lead to a collapse in the population of the affected species. If left unchecked, overfishing threatens to upend aquatic ecosystems.

Learn more about overfishing by answering the questions below. Conduct research using textbooks or online resources to help you.



1. Write three reasons why overfishing has become such a problem in recent years.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

2. Write three reasons why we should be concerned about the effects of overfishing.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____

3. List three proposals for addressing the problem of overfishing.

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____