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This online resource looks at environmental sustainability.

The resource introduces students to the difficulties fishermen experience while trying to target individual species.

Commercial fishing nets often trap "unprofitable" animals in the process of catching target species. In this activity, students experience the difficulty that fishermen experience while trying to isolate a target species when a variety of sea animals are found in the area of interest.

Students can also practice data acquisition and analysis skills by collecting data and processing it to deduce trends on target species distribution. They can also learn how bycatch impacts their lives and discuss whether or not it is an important environmental issue that needs attention.

As an extension, students can use their creativity and innovative skills to design nets or other methods, theoretically and/or through hands-on prototyping, that fishermen could use to help avoid bycatch.

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