



## Why Are Oceans Important?

Our oceans are very important. They have lots of important jobs. They provide us with lots of important things. Here are all the important things our oceans can do:

### Homes

Oceans give habitats to lots of different animals. A habitat is a home. It is where something lives. There are lots of animals living in the ocean.

### Food

The ocean gives us lots of food. Fish, crabs, lobsters and prawns come from the ocean. These are all things we can eat.

### Air

The ocean helps us to breathe. There are lots of plants growing in the ocean. Plants make oxygen. We need oxygen to breathe. The oceans provide over half of our oxygen.

### Trade

We use the ocean for transport. Big ships take things over the ocean to other countries. They bring things from other countries back here. This is trade.

### Medicine

Our oceans help us to make medicines. Medicines have a lot of ingredients that come from the ocean. Medicines help to make us better when we are poorly.

### Weather

The oceans help to control our weather. They move heat around the world. The heat comes from the warm oceans. It travels on the ocean currents. It is moved around the world. Moving the temperatures around changes our weather.

What a lot of things our oceans do!



V: What does the word habitat mean?

R: Name 2 different foods we get from the ocean.

R: What in the ocean makes the oxygen?

R: What type of vehicle transports things over the ocean?

E: How does the ocean affect the weather?