



KEEP THE
SEA FREE
OF
DEBRIS

2019 Marine Debris Calendar

Featuring artwork from the
2018 "Keep the Sea Free of
Debris!" Art Contest winners



About this Calendar

This calendar features winning artwork from the 2018 “Keep the Sea Free of Debris” art contest. The NOAA Marine Debris Program received hundreds of great entries from students across the United States in kindergarten through 8th grade showing the impacts of marine debris on our ocean and planet. The program evaluated submissions based on creativity, artistic presentation, relevance to theme, and how thoroughly the students answered the questions:

- How does marine debris impact the ocean and Great Lakes environment?
- What will you do to help?

Thank you to all students (and teachers) for participating in the 2018 art contest. Your support and enthusiasm reminds us of why we do what we do every day - work to keep our ocean and Great Lakes clean. The program hopes this calendar fuels your passion to protect our ocean and drives you to stay involved in finding solutions to prevent marine debris.

NOAA Marine Debris Program

The NOAA Marine Debris Program's mission is to investigate and prevent the adverse impacts of marine debris. The program achieves this through coordinating regional marine debris efforts, leading research, and conducting outreach to local communities.

Cover Art
Emma M. (Grade 6, Pennsylvania)



“Marine debris is affecting the ocean and Great Lakes very rapidly. Plastics are strangling entangled sea life and if sea life consumes it, they can die. Some trash sinks and pollutes the sea floor and reefs. Polluting our seas not only harms the ecosystem, it can harm us! I am helping keep trash out of the ocean by recycling plastic and metal products. I am trying to keep more materials out of the ocean, not in.”

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JANUARY 2019

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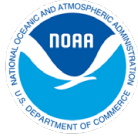
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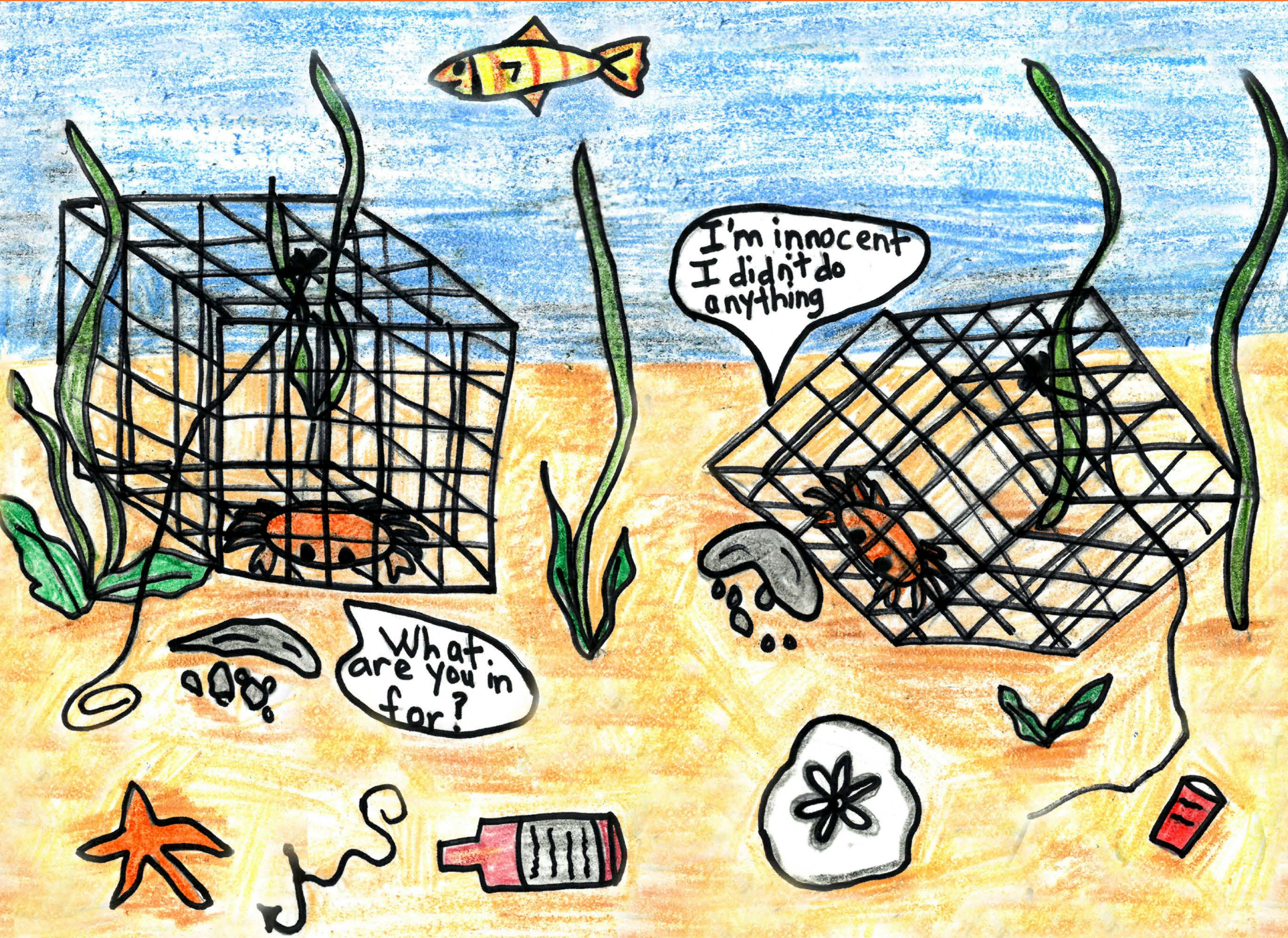
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		Lincoln's Birthday		Valentine's Day			
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	President's Day						
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I'm innocent
I didn't do
anything

What
are you in
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MARCH 2019

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St. Patrick's Day			Spring Equinox				
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Together We Can
Make a **DIFFERENCE**



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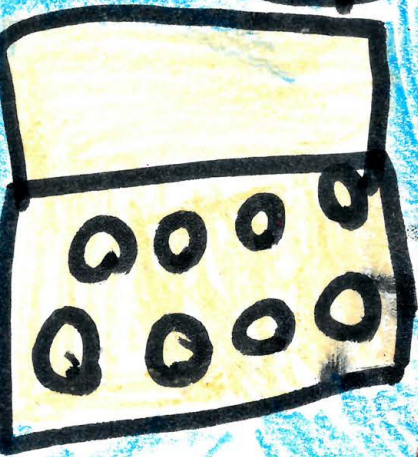
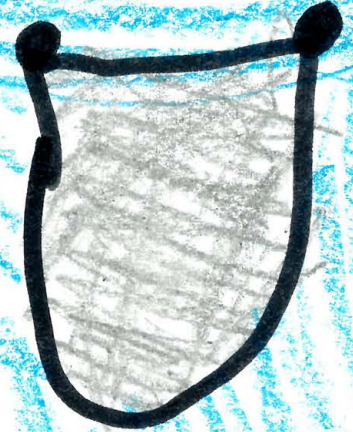
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	Tax Day				Passover Begins	
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Easter Sunday	Earth Day					
28	29	30				

Save the Sea
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Making



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12 Mother's Day	13	14	15	16	17	18
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16 Father's Day	17	18	19	20	21 Summer Solstice	22	22
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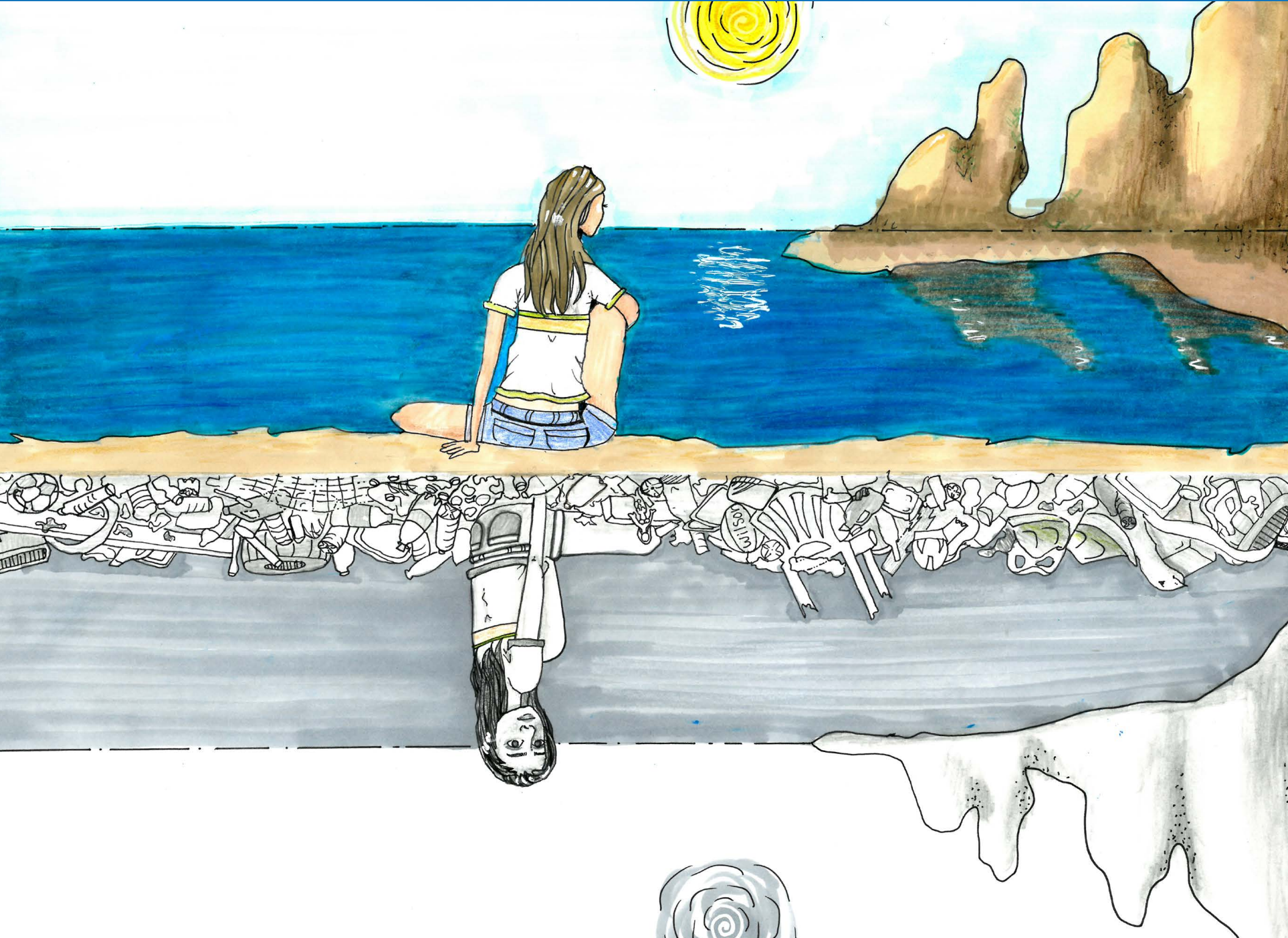
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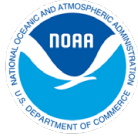
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22	23 Autumnal Equinox	24	25	26	27	28
29 Rosh Hashanah	30					





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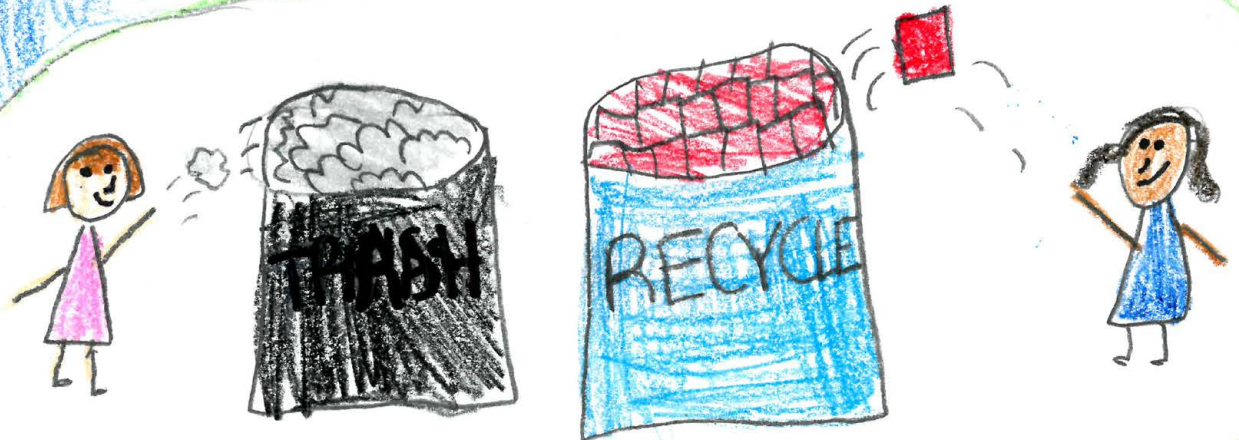
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DONT GIVE ME
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JUST THROW AWAY
TRASH!





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Hanukkah begins		Christmas Eve	Christmas Day			
29	30	31 New Year's Eve				

2018 "Keep the Sea Free of Debris!" Art Contest Winners



"Marine debris impacts sea life and our ecosystems. I will use less plastic material to help keep our waters clean."

- Lillie H. (Grade 1, Washington)

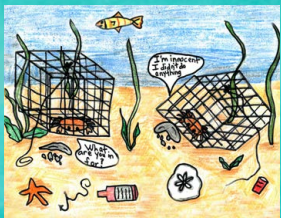
JANUARY



"Marine debris is a common mistake as food for marine life, causing them to become sick and die, if not saved in time. To keep this from happening, I will pick up any and all litter on the beach and in the water."

- Paige P. (Grade 7, Massachusetts)

FEBRUARY



"Marine debris impacts our oceans and Great Lakes by creating a large amount of pollution. Some examples of pollution are cigarette butts, candy wrappers, fishing nets, traps, plastic bottles and bags. Pollution harms coral, fish, turtles, and even people. To keep the ocean clean I will pick up litter when I see it."

- John K. (Grade 7, New Jersey)

MARCH



"Marine debris has drastically affected our oceans and Great Lakes. Many animals have mistaken the debris for food; that's how they perish because they can't digest the waste. Together we can reuse and recycle materials so we can keep our oceans clean. We don't like trash, so why would they?"

- Mia C. (Grade 8, Texas)

APRIL



"Marine debris can hurt or kill sea animals like turtles and dolphins. I will gather up trash and recycle to keep the oceans clean. I will not let go of my balloons to help the sea turtles. I will tell others to help the ocean like me."

- Sabrina W. (Grade 1, Maryland)

MAY



"Marine debris is a devastating environmental hazard. I am educating people about the issue. I created a project about bycatching and ghost fishing in the ocean and won an award signifying best futuristic invention. I am currently creating another project on trash in the ocean and Great Lakes."

- Taelyn B. (Grade 6, Idaho)

JUNE



"Marine debris impacts the ocean because a lot of ocean species can die by eating or getting tangled in the trash. It pollutes our environment. I would help by going scuba diving to pick up the trash in the water and picking up trash on the beach. I would organize beach clean up days and get people to help. I would also make signs for the beach to teach people how their debris impacts the ocean."

- Carson M. (Grade 5, Georgia)

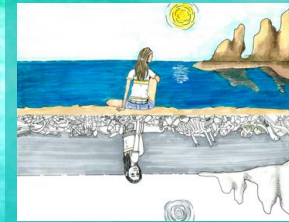
JULY



"Marine debris impacts our oceans by harming or killing sea life. I can help keep our oceans free of debris by organizing a clean the beach day."

- Zilan C. (Grade 2, Michigan)

AUGUST



"Plastic debris doesn't decompose - it breaks into smaller pieces. Fish and other animals eat these debris. The easiest way to prevent this is cleaning up trash on beaches."

- Anna J. (Grade 8, Florida)

SEPTEMBER



"Marine debris have polluted ocean and Great Lakes, causing animals harm. Plastics, rubber, paper, and other lost or discarded items enter the ocean and lakes every day. Everyone can do our part in reducing and preventing marine debris. We can also join in cleaning the beach and our streets. When everyone takes action, we can keep our ocean clean."

- Yufei F. (Grade 5, Michigan)

OCTOBER



"Marine debris hurts our oceans and lakes because it hurts the animals. For example if a fire hits the coral it will die. It is living and can be an animal's habitat. I will keep the ocean debris free by not littering, pick up trash, put recycling in the recycling and trash in the trash."

- Mia B. (Grade 3, West Virginia)

NOVEMBER



"One of the biggest issues with debris in oceans and lakes is that animals mistake it for food. This causes a lot of deaths of marine life. My family feels very strongly about this and every time we go to the beach we stay an extra hour to pick up trash."

- Nadia B. (Grade 8, Maryland)

DECEMBER