Fishing Scenario





It's low tide at the Barwon Bluff Marine Sanctuary. You and your friend are having heaps of fun looking in all the rock pools. When suddenly, you look up and notice a man fishing off the rocks in the sanctuary. Now, being an intelligent and environmentally responsible citizen you know that fishing within the Marine Sanctuary is prohibited.

Fish are animals too and they an important but often missing part of our coastal wildlife. By leaving some areas free from fishing many scientists

believe that there a good chances of increasing fish numbers both in and around the Marine Sanctuary.

What to do?

Brainstorm with a partner or group as many different ways you can think of to prevent people from fishing in the Marine Sanctuary? Let your imagination run wild! (You could call down aliens and have him transported to another site.)

Review your list and decide which three are the most sensible alternatives. In a group role play your suggestions with:

- A cooperative fisherman
- An angry, aggressive and argumentative fisherman
- A non English speaking fisherman

Discuss these with a Parks Ranger or Fisheries to see what can be done to prevent illegal fishing.

Write a song, a poem or design a poster to inform the public about the Barwon Bluff Marine Sanctuary Rules. Debate the statement "A Marine Sanctuary can mean better fishing for all!"