

Earth Day Essay  
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# Littering Is Wrong

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What would you do if you saw someone just throw trash on the ground?

It is called littering. A crime people don't really seem to care about. It's often not taken seriously. Littering can hurt animals in the ocean and on the land. It also stays for a long time and some plastics and trash stays forever unless disposed of properly.

Littering affects the climate and our planet. Littering should be taken more seriously. That's why I'm writing this essay, to stop littering in its tracks and show people how it affects the environment and earth. It kills animals and many more and burning it also pollutes the air. The other way that plastic pollution affects ocean mammals is through entanglement. And one of the worst offenders here is abandoned fishing gear. An estimated 640,000 tonnes of the eight million tonnes of plastic that enters the oceans every year.

If you are a person who doesn't care about littering. Don't understand the dangers plastics pose to them. This problem was created by humans, and only humans can fix it. I hope this changes your mind. Because littering hurts your own planet. Littering is an easy thing to do but we have to do something about it by doing the right thing.

To conclude, littering is very bad for our planet and our environment. And that's why it should be taken more seriously. And should be put to a stop....NOW.

Sites:

<https://wwf.org.au/blogs/plastic-in-our-oceans-is-killing-marine-mammals/>