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Have you ever seen a piece of plastic on sand when you went to the beach or seen it in the ocean? Sea creatures can die from this. So the rule everyone to follow is not to litter or throw trash in the ocean.

When sea creatures look for food in the ocean, some creatures find trash in the ocean and they eat that trash and could get very sick.

Sea turtles, seals, whales, and fish are all endangered because of all the trash in the ocean. If those animals keep eating the trash they could go extinct. And it's not just the sea animals. There is trash on land as well and with this trash it can ruin other animals' environment.

If you don't believe me here is some things littering can do to our animals and the environment. Some plastic bags look like jellyfish and so the sea creatures eat the plastic bag. After eating the plastic bag their stomachs feel full and they won't eat anything else and eventually they can starve to death.

Another reason is that animals can get tangled in plastic bags and they can suffocate, starve, or even drown. This can also make it easier for their predators because they can't see with the bag on.

This is not just bad for animals it is bad for us as well. When you go to the beach there can be sharp plastic on the sand and when you step on sand you can get injured.

Some ways to stop littering is to throw away your trash and if there isn't a bag just hold on to it until you find a bin. In conclusion, my rule would be stop littering.