

Oceans of Hope

An extension of "Smart ways to deal with waste"

This beautiful scene appears on the front cover of *What's Up* June 2018. It is the artwork of a 19-year-old artist — he signs off as VEXX — from Belgium. Take a few minutes to study the rich details he has provided of life around a coral reef. VEXX wants people to know that the world's marine life faces many challenges. You can see here that some of the sea creatures are not happy. And, you would also be able to spot clues in the picture to suggest what may be going wrong. Imagine you are the starfish, turtle, octopus, and eel. In their speech bubbles, write what you think they might be wishing would happen. Share your work with your classmates and invite them to do the same.

starfish

eel

octopus

turtle

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