

The Manatee



In shallow costal water
A Manatee might pass
He lives there with his family
Munching on sea grass

Manatees are calm
They like to swim and float
Yet sometimes they are injured
By the propellers of a boat

Their sea grass is in danger
Pollution kills this treat
Leaving manatees quite hungry
With nothing good to eat

Please pick up all your litter
Don't throw it in the sea!
Tell motor boats to slow down
Let's protect the Manatee!

Did You Know?

- The average manatee is 10 feet long and weights up to 1,200 pounds!
- Manatees are called "sea cows" and love to munch on plants. Water pollution can kill these plants
- They have paddle-shaped tails and front arms called flippers.
- Manatees are often injured by boat propellers, fishing lines, nets and hooks.