

MIAKO SHARK

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My name is Lucas. I am the smallest but the fastest in my family. I could swim up to 35 miles per hour but my brothers and sisters couldn't. We eat all kinds of fish or sharks (smaller than our size) that are in our way. We have really sharp teeth that could bite your head off!

We need to swim to breathe so when we're sleeping, we swim slowly. We also open our eyes because if sea creatures (bigger than our size) are chasing us, we could escape and survive. We are really heavy. We weigh about 400kg or less!

We are endangered because the fishermen fish too much and they cut our fins for shark fin soup! Poor sharks! One time, a fisherman was catching me so I jumped 9 meters high and jumped over the fisherman's head/ He asked, "Hey, where did he go?" And I said, "Dummy! Ha! Ha! Ha!"

Some of us are endangered and are close to disappear because of overfishing, pollution and rubbish. Most of the bad people don't follow the rules of Hong Kong and they throw smelly underpants, cans, juice boxes and plastic bags into the water. I will be very worried if my brothers and sisters die. So I wish the people could stop overfishing and follow the rules. If I were a person, I won't be so mean and overfish.

I will tell you a story about how you can help. One day, a little boy, who doesn't want these interesting creatures to disappear, decided to tell the fisherman not to fish so much. He suggested the fisherman to fish every other day, instead of every day. The fisherman thought it was a better idea and changed his habit of overfishing. Now, my wife could lay a lot of babies. When the babies come out of the egg, they could grow up safely into adults and have a beautiful life.