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# ORCA RECOVERY DAY



Bring Orca Recovery Day to your classroom!

Guide for Instructors on how to use this PDF:

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**SHOW OFF YOUR STUDENT'S WORK!**

With appropriate permissions, we encourage posting student artwork to social media with the hashtags:

**#ORCARECOVERYDAY**

**#PUGETSOUND**

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Side 1: Match the action for orcas with the Picture

Volunteer for Orca Recovery Day

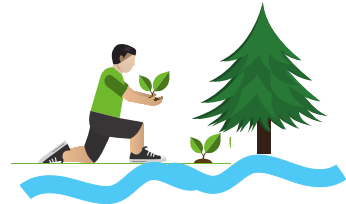
Plant trees along streets & streams

Keep your car's tires inflated

Wash your car at a carwash

Throw trash and pet poop in waste bin

Use "non-toxic" products in your house & yard



What do YOU have to say about Orcas & the Puget Sound?

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#Puget Sound

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Side 1: Match the action for orcas with the picture

Volunteer Orca-tober 16th for Orca Recovery Day!

Plant native trees and shrubs along curbs, yards, and streams

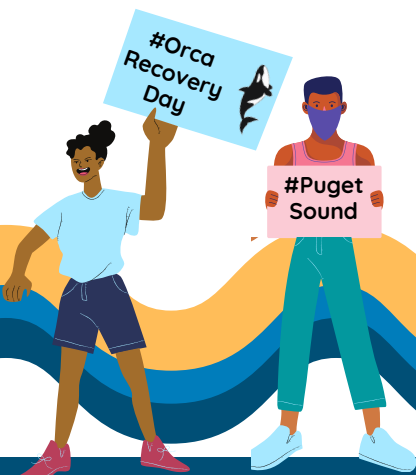
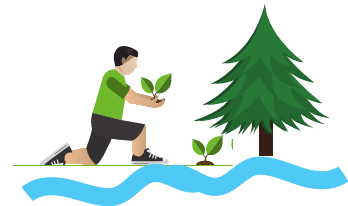
Tune your car, rotate your tires, and keep them inflated

Wash your car at a carwash and get car leaks fixed!

Use non-toxic yard products and household cleaners

Properly dispose of trash and pet poop!

What do YOU have to say about Orcas and Puget Sound?



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Side 1: Match the action with the reason why it helps Orcas

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Properly align and inflate your car tires regularly

Plant native trees and shrubs along curbs, yards, and streams

Use non-toxic yard products and household cleaners

Tell leaders about the importance of salmon habitat restoration

Properly dispose of litter and pet waste

Wash your car at a carwash and fix car leaks



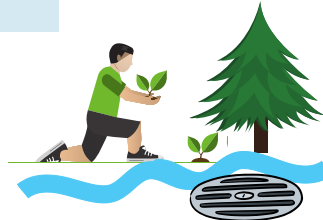
Tire care reduces tire tread that flows to Puget Sound through storm drains and is toxic to salmon

Removing toxins in yard products and cleaners removes their flow from our pipes to Puget Sound



Carwash facilities catch harmful car runoff before reaching Puget Sound. Driveways do not

Disposing pet poop in the garbage prevents its washing into Puget Sound, which reduces harmful bacterial levels



Native plants along curbs, yards, and creeks filter pollutants before they Puget Sound in rain runoff

Little actions, all added up, make a big difference



Restoration competes with other important issues. Leaders don't know how you feel, unless you communicate on your issues.



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Choose 3 actions and state a reason why that action helps Orcas

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Plant native trees and shrubs along curbs, yards, and streams

Properly align and inflate your car tires regularly

Be Whale Wise when boating & idle your engine near wildlife

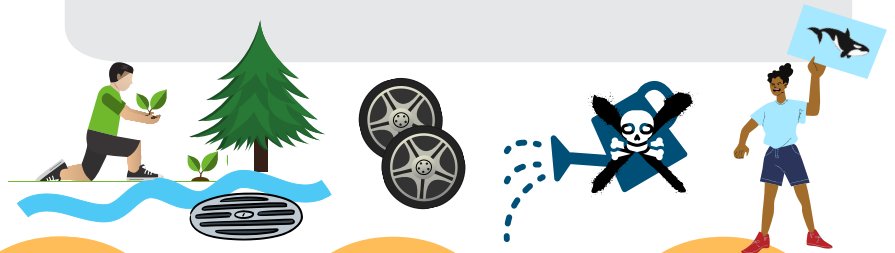
Use non-toxic yard products and household cleaners

Communicate to leaders if salmon habitat restoration is a priority

Properly dispose of litter and pet waste

Safely dispose of medicines (no drain disposal)

Wash your car at a carwash and fix car leaks

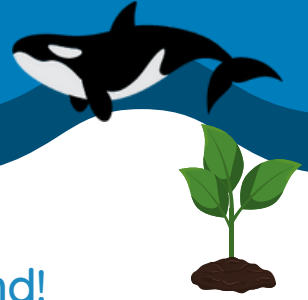


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Side 2: Draw a Picture or Write the Action  
you wish to take to help Orcas and Puget Sound!

**SHARE WHAT ACTION YOU'LL TAKE WITH THE HASHTAGS  
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*RESOURCES FOR TEACHERS + STUDENTS  
FINDING ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS*

## **BetterGround.org**

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Actions You Can Take

(videos, 10-Action and 5-Action pdfs, and Solutions 8x11 for print/handout)

## **Puget Sound Starts Here!**

Orca Facts

<https://www.pugetsoundstartshere.org/Facts.aspx>

## **Salmon Steward RCO**

Salmon in Your Backyard

<https://rco.wa.gov/salmon-recovery>

<https://stateofsalmon.wa.gov/how-to-help/>

## **NOAA Project-Based Learning Unit and Middle School Orca Lesson Plans**

<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/resource/educational-materials/saving-southern-resident-killer-whales>

## **Orca Task Force**

<https://ecology.wa.gov/water-shorelines/puget-sound/Orca-Task-Force/How-You-Can-Help-Orcas>

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