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As Oceans Warm and Fish Disappear, Giant Jellyfish Invade New Zealand

Giant jellyfish around New Zealand have been invading the coastline because of the warmer climate in the water. The jellyfish have plenty to eat and are able to survive easily in the warm waters. Some experts think that too much fishing may have killed many of the predators that eat these young jellyfish. Gershwin, a director of the Australian Marine Stinger Advisory Services loves working with jellyfish. “ ‘I get excited any time there is jellyfish activity , and their welfare is not concern because their population is not endangered,’ “ Gershwin said. One bad thing about having a lot of jellyfish surrounding the coastline of New Zealand, is their painful sting. Gershwin also noted that the sting can hurt very bad, but is not life-threatening.

I don't know about you, but I think a sting from a giant jellyfish would hurt really bad! But still, I like jellyfish. They are very interesting. That’s why I picked this topic about jellyfish. I like learning about how they live, and different things about them. If I lived in New Zealand, I would be mad because I probably wouldn't be allowed to swim! There are so many jellyfish around the border that I don't know how you would swim without getting stung! In short, giant jellyfish are very unique  and I encourage more people to try to pay more attention to them.

How does this article impact me? Well, it impacts me because I don’t like when the beach is closed off to swimmers. If I lived in New Zealand, I would not want to swim because of the many jellyfish around the coast. This makes me feel bad for the people who live there. This is definitely a negative impact on the people who live there. Gershwin said that this could happen many times over the next few years! This would NOT be fun at all. It would really stink.

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