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The plastic bottle - an unrivalled terror of the sea

The plastic bottle. Not many creatures can rival its supernatural lifespan, resilience, or the sheer amount of destruction it can bring. If set free, this beast can wipe out entire coral reefs, ponds, or even rivers. Everywhere it goes, it leaves a trail of destruction behind.

This predator needs only 12 minutes to fully develop into its adult form. It can easily survive for 450 years in extreme conditions. This makes it probably the most adaptable creature on Earth. The plastic bottle can eject tiny particles of its body as a defence mechanism. These are called micro-plastics. Sadly, a lot of animals, mostly underwater critters, cannot avoid ingesting these particles. Since they are very toxic, it can lead to the animals' deaths. This easily makes the plastic bottle one of the most dangerous species in the world. It spreads like a plague that cannot be healed. For that reason, it must be hunted to extinction, so that other animals cannot be harmed.

But how exactly did we end up with this massive invasion of the plastic bottle in our oceans? The answer is simple - on land, this creature serves a noble purpose, mainly holding water for humans. For that reason, humans encouraged the plastic bottle to reproduce at incredible levels / at an incredibly fast pace. However, after achieving their purpose, the bottles are often rejected, discarded by humanity. Mankind has created the bottle, and after abusing it and rejecting it, the bottle seeks revenge.

Thus, what can we do to avoid the revenge of this dangerous predator? Unfortunately, after we have already taken advantage of their service, there is not much we can do. However, there is one effective method - boycotting the use of bottles. Instead of that vile beast, you can use other representatives of the family of bottlidae, the glass bottle, for instance. Despite the fact that it may also seem threatening, it cannot cause mankind any harm because of its reusability.

Remember, the bottle does not attack first. If you yourself do not come into contact with the bottle, you will be safe.