

# Endangered species by 2C

#### SPANISH ENDANGERED SPECIES

Although extinction can be an natural process through millions of years, nowadays endangered species are those species at risk of becoming extinct due to human beings intervention for their fur, habitat loss, climate change, disease and hunting.

Do you care about this problem? Are you an animal lover?



The LYNX is one of the most charismatic threatened Spanish species. It has strong paws, pointy ears, short tail and the body is more or less spotted. It is endangered because there are not many individuals in Spain left. The main problems are car crashes and poaching. We need to preserve them in order to guarantee their survival!

## TUNA

Not only are there endangered species in the forest, unfortunately there are also in our seas. Blue fin tuna is one good example.



It is native to both, the eastern and the western Atlantic Ocean and it is mainly threatened by overfishing.

Temporarily shutting down tuna fisheries would be just a part of a much needed recovery program. In order to prevent illegal fishing strong law-measurements need to be implemented.

#### IMPERIAL EAGLE

Another threatened species is the Spanish imperial eagle, you can find it at central and south-west of Spain.

It feeds mainly on rabbits but can prey on many other small animals and the current population is estimated at less than 500. Threats include loss of habitat,



collisions with power-lines, even illegal poisoning.

## MONK SEAL

If we look at the Mediterranean sea, we find that monk seals population is estimated to be fewer than 700 individuals.



Traditionally, they were hunted by fishermen because of the damage they could produce to fishing nets. Other problems are coastal urbanization and pollution. Here we find another question we should answer: Are we the owner of the oceans too?