Research Paper Overview

A. There are many threats to marine life
   1. Overfishing
   2. Habitat destruction
      a. Which are major causes of habitat deterioration in temperate and tropical regions.
      b. Seabed habitat has been greatly degraded and even destroyed by the direct effects of dredging, trawling, long-lining, and dynamite fishing (Dayton et al. 1995; Roberts 1995).

B. What are Marine reserves and parks
   1. have been instituted as a means of conservation and in developing sustainable fisheries.

C. Are these reserves effective in achieving these goals?
   1. How is biodiversity affected as a result of various outside forces.
      a. For example, the use of destructive fishing gears.
      b. How is larval dispersion impacted by currents and other oceanographic processes.
   2. In order to conserve an area, researchers must know the habitat and how it functions.
   3. Ultimately what are the reasons for locking out fishermen from these protected areas?
   4. What biological, chemical, and physical factors contribute to the function of the habitat in supporting young fish populations which later disperse into fishing grounds outside the reserve.

D. Conclusions

I have a lot of sources that I’m using through loan and haven’t been received yet. However, here are some of the resources I intend on using.

