Lesson: Writing Prompt on Threats to the Sea

Objective:
Students will write to a prompt concerning the issue of threats to the sea environment and its creatures.

Materials:
Paper
Writing instrument (pen or pencil)

Introduction:
We have been learning about the threats that exist to the Mediterranean, its ecosystems, the sea turtles, and other life in the sea. Today you will put that knowledge together with your imagination to write a story about those threats and what could possibly happen.

Lesson:
“This is your prompt: One day I was walking on the beach and I could not believe what I saw! Right before my very eyes people were . . .” Please finish this story. Remember to use all of the information that you know about over fishing, tourism, protected areas, small and large garbage, pollution, prevention, and all that we have been learning. Create a wonderful story that will teach others all that we have learned. These stories will be shared.”

Closure:
Share student writings. If you are using this lesson to check for comprehension of information, then students can share ideas and creative stories by reading in pairs, small groups, or whole group. Taking it a step further, stories can be revised, edited, published and shared with other classrooms or the whole school.

Assessment/Evaluation:
Teacher observation
Student participation
If you take it a step further, you may want to use a writing rubric for assessment.