

## StreamWatch Alternative Assignment

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| Physical Characteristics         | Description of Habitat         |
| Diet                             | Three Interesting Facts        |
| Photograph of the species        | Food Web including the species |
| Map showing range of the species |                                |

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Your Topic - \_\_\_\_\_ Due by - \_\_\_\_\_  
 You must do THIS species assigned by Mr. Rush/Ms. Magee

### Northern Bluefin Tuna

**Scientific Name:**  
*Thunnus thynnus*

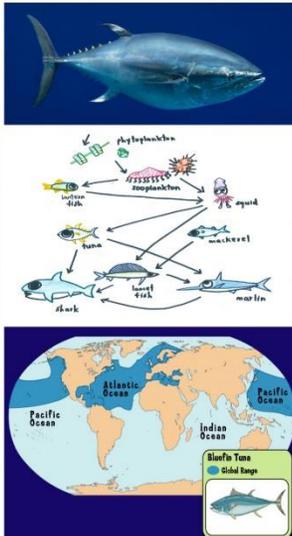
**Physical Characteristics:**  
Bluefin tuna are metallic blue in color with a fusiform body shape. Behind the dorsal fin is a series of seven to ten yellow finlets. A powerful sickle-shaped caudal fin propels them through the water.

**Description of Habitat:**  
Bluefin tuna are found in the tropical and subtropical waters of the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

**Diet:**  
Bluefin tuna eat primarily schooling fish, like anchovies or herring, but will also prey on larger fish and some crustaceans.

**Three Interesting Facts:**

1. Bluefin tuna are among the fastest fish in the world, reaching speeds of up to 40 mph.
2. Bluefin tuna are warm-blooded, which is rare for fish. They do this by utilizing a countercurrent blood vessel design near their heat-producing muscles.
3. Bluefin tuna are known for tasting really good and are sold as very expensive sashimi. Overfishing has led to them being classified as endangered on the IUCN Red List.



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