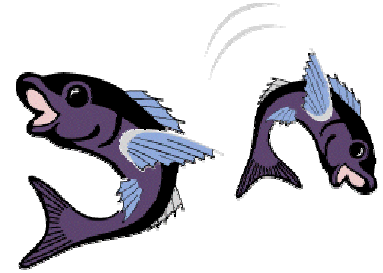


Food Consumers

Plants are known as food producers because they produce their own food. Animals are not capable of producing food and must rely on other sources of food. We call animals *food consumers* although they consume a wide variety of food types.

The three types of food consumers are:

1. **Herbivores** - These animals feed entirely on plants or algae.
Limpets are herbivores.
2. **Carnivores** - These animals feed entirely on other animals and can also be called "meat-eaters"
Octopus are carnivores
3. **Omnivores** - These animals feed on a mixture of plants and meat from other animals.
Humans and sand worms are omnivores.



List four animals from each group of food consumers that live in rockpools:

Herbivores	Carnivores	Omnivores

The three different types of food consumers have different characteristics that have been developed to suit their feeding needs. Complete the table below and then suggest how the three groups may be different.

Consumer	Food eaten	Method of locating food	Special characteristics used to assist with food location
Sea Urchin			
Leatherjacket			
Human			