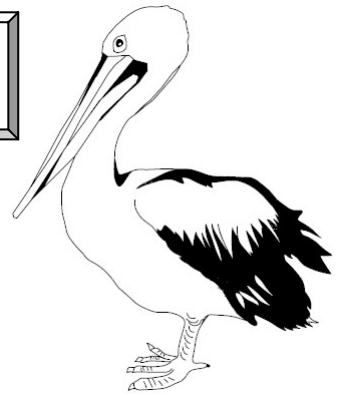


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Birds are affected
by oil spills.

OIL SPILLS

Many incidents of oil spills at sea have occurred in the past and have caused huge environmental issues e.g. birds dying. Feathers get covered in oil and when the bird tries to clean itself, it gets poisoned.



Write down another environmental effect of an oil spill.

Oil spreads really fast across water surfaces and causes deadly oil slicks. Oil and water don't mix, the oil floats on the water surface becoming an 'oil slick'. Once oil has been spilt it becomes virtually impossible to contain or remove it, attempts have been made to sink or chemically treat the oil, but this causes further disruptions to the marine and coastal environment.

Draw a picture of an oil spill and another picture of an environmental effect caused by the oil. If you can't draw very well, find the pictures in a magazine or newspaper and glue them in the boxes.

Oil Spill

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a drawing of an oil spill.

Environmental Effect

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a drawing of an environmental effect caused by an oil spill.