

For my biology class I read a longer version of an article on longer surfish that is in the Washingtonian as you can see in the background there is a city and the focus is on stress. There are many things I learned while studying the traits and abilities of the surfish. Here are some examples:

I learned that this species of surfish feeds on vegetation along with other smaller fish. They can grow up to 2.5 inches in length. It is attracted to shiny objects such as a watch or ring because it thinks it is prey. I have gotten my ideas for my work based off this information. I also learned that they could get up to a 44 year long lifespan!

Some other things I also discovered is that the Longer is an invasive species because they are mostly aggressive. They usually about strong currents and they are mostly active in daytime while they can be nocturnal in water depth.

Another interesting fact I learned is that the Longer Surfish's scientific name is *Lepomis Microgaster*. They have a red orange belly and are covered with blue scales with their mouth belly reaching for the eye. The belly is yellow or orange.

In conclusion, the things that I learned about Longer Surfishes are that they can live up to 44 years as an average. They are 2.5 inches long and are attracted to shiny items. They are blue green, yellow, and orange. These are the information learned after researching about my artwork. I think protecting the river and aquatic ecosystem is important because we are preserving wildlife along with the Longer Surfish and other fishes' habitats. Rivers and fish play an equal part of our lives as the land, rocks, and wildlife is.