

PROJECT OCEANOLOGY

Facebook Live: Checking Lobster Pots



Form and Function of the Target Species

- 1. The American lobster (*Homarus americanus*) is the species targeted with this type of fishing gear. Draw a detailed sketch of the lobster and be sure to label important physical adaptations (ex. crusher claw).
- 2. Write a brief description about the function or purpose of each of these adaptations.

Bycatch

The unwanted animals that end up in the lobster trap are called bycatch. This includes anything other than the species we were trying to catch, the lobster.

- 1. What are some examples of bycatch that Project O educators caught today?
- 2. Why do you think these animals ended up in our lobster trap?