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**Tragedy of the Commons Discussion Questions**

1. Did anyone in your group take too many fish? What was the consequence?
2. How did it make you feel if anyone did take too many fish?
3. Did everyone in your group try to take as many as possible? Why or Why not?
4. Does our society reward those with the “most”?
5. Did anyone sacrifice the number of fish they caught for the good of the community? Why or why not?
6. Does society ever reward that type of person?
7. In Game 2, did you change your strategy? If so, what did you do differently and why?
8. Is it possible to maximize the number of fish caught per person AND the number of fish remaining in the lake? Explain.
9. Think of a local “commons” that you are familiar with. (e.g. parking lots, public bathrooms, parks, the school cafeteria, the hallway, etc.) Do similar situations arise? Explain.
10. How might those problems be solved? Be specific!
11. What are some natural resources that are common resources?
12. What are the global commons? Are these being used wisely? Explain.
13. What can people do to use these resources more wisely?