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# **Global Change**

#### SUGGESTED SKILL & Environmental

Solutions

**7.A** Describe environmental problems.



#### AVAILABLE RESOURCES

- Classroom Resource > AP Environmental Science Teacher's Guide
- External Resource >
  Environmental
  Literacy Council's AP
  Environmental Science
  Course Material

# TOPIC 9.6 Ocean Warming

# **Required Course Content**

# **ENDURING UNDERSTANDING**

STB-4

Local and regional human activities can have impacts at the global level.

# **LEARNING OBJECTIVE**

**STB-4.G** Explain the causes and effects of ocean warming.

# **ESSENTIAL KNOWLEDGE**

## STB-4.G.1

Ocean warming is caused by the increase in greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

#### STB-4.G.2

Ocean warming can affect marine species in a variety of ways, including loss of habitat, and metabolic and reproductive changes.

## STB-4.G.3

Ocean warming is causing coral bleaching, which occurs when the loss of algae within corals cause the corals to bleach white. Some corals recover and some die.