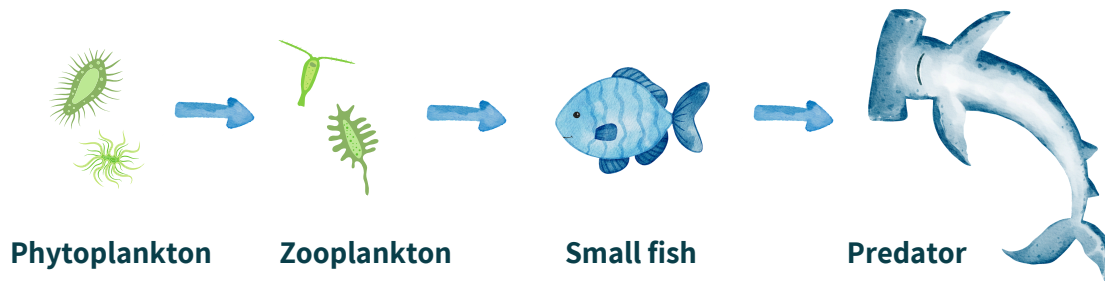


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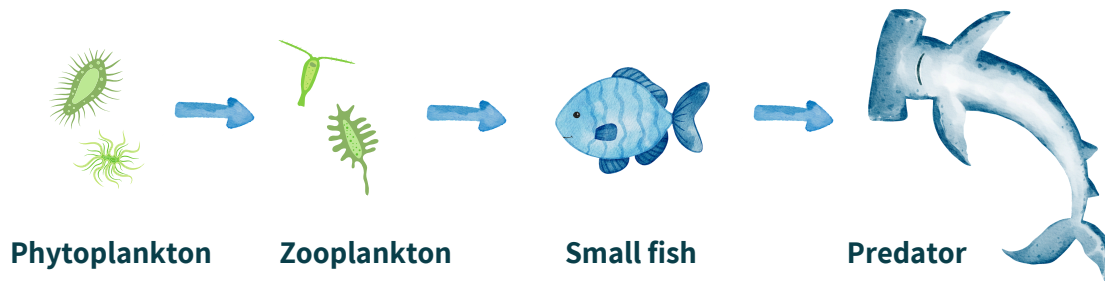


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- The bigger animals like sharks, whales, and dolphins might not have enough to eat, so they could also start to disappear or have to look for food in other places. They might have to travel further to find food, change their diet, or face competition with other predators.