

## Home-Learning Activity

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	Prologue  There are only about 1800 West Indian manatees left in North America, and they are listed as an endangered species. Living mainly around the coast of Florida in estuaries and bays and in Florida rivers, these curious and gentle creatures have no natural enemies. Once hunted for their meat and hides, today manatees are protected by law from human hunters and poachers. However, many manatees are killed accidentally every year in collisions with speeding boats, in spite of boating regulations in some areas where manatees gather. Also, as new houses and businesses are built along the coastline and near the riverbanks, the seagrasses the manatees feed on are often destroyed.  As more and more people come to live and play along the Florida coast, manatee lives are threatened. Now only the care and concern of people can save the manatee from extinction.
Activity Resources:	This book is about one West Indian manatee and her little calf.