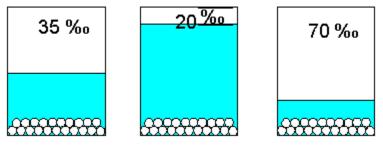
1. Salinity

The saltiness of sea water

Salinity is measured in # parts salt in 1000 parts water:



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- Tidepool water could evaporate = †salinity
- Rain could fill up tidepools =↓salinity

- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one adaptation it might have to keep from losing water in a salty pool, or soaking up too much water (bloating) in a rain-filled pool?

2. Temperature

A measure of the kinetic energy of the particles in a substance. The KE is what causes how hot or cold something is.



An organism's metabolism (heart rate, breathing rate, and rate of digestion) may speed up when temperature warms up and slow down when it cools.

- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one adaptation it might have to stay cool when it's hot or keep from freezing in winter cold?

3. Drying out

An organism that needs to stay wet to live may be left high and dry when the tide goes out or the tide pool dries up.



- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one adaptation it might have to keep moisture inside when it is out of the water?

4. Sunlight

The sun's intense rays can burn sensitive sea creature skin.



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- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one adaptation it might have to protect its skin from sun?

5. Wind

Light wind can dry out an organism fast and strong wind can blow them off the rocks.

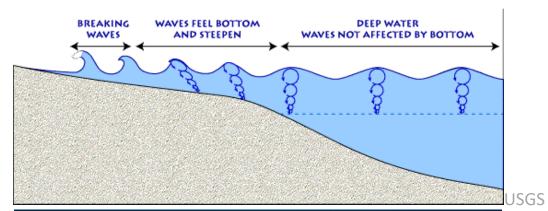


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- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one adaptation it might have to keep from drying out or getting blown away by the wind?

6. Waves

Wind causes waves:





Barth Bailey

- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one adaptation it might have to keep from getting smashed or swept away by waves?

7. Predators



Herons and minks and bears, oh my!

- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one adaptation it might have to avoid getting stabbed, snatched, pried off, crunched, or drilled into by predators?

8. Salish Sea Explorers

Sometimes people trample, poke, hold, or contaminate living things in the intertidal. Even if it is not on purpose, it can still do some damage, like crushing anemones or mussels, or breaking the protective mucus layer on fish.



- 1. Choose one intertidal organism and act it out (charades style).
- 2. Share one strategy YOU could use to keep intertidal neighbors safe while you explore.