Habitats Vocabulary

The vocabulary listed below correlates with the education standards for each grade. Some (but not all) of the words listed below might be mentioned, appear spelled out on the screen, or even be defined in more detail during a habitat video.

Kindergarten

General: habitat, shelter, wind
Beach: ocean, sand, shore, shallow, deep, island, waves
Maritime forest: forest, grow, seed, roots, shade, insect, leaves, tree trunk, branches
Salt marsh: salt water, tide, fish, mud
Freshwater pond: freshwater, pond, lake, river

First grade

General: habitat, mammals, wildlife, predator, prey, food web / chain, natural resources, conserve
Beach: tide, ocean, sand dunes, roots
Maritime forest: shade, grow, waxy, tree trunk, branches, nocturnal
Salt marsh: salinity, salt water rivers, nursery
Freshwater pond: pond vs lake, stream, river, freshwater vs salt water, roots, float, insect

Second grade

General: recycle, energy, wildlife, organism, resources, adaptation, climate, temperature, environment
Beach: tide, barrier, dunes, burrow (noun and verb)
Maritime forest: terrestrial, salt spray, coastal, diurnal, nocturnal, crepuscular
Salt marsh: salinity, nursery, buffer, absorb, filter, brackish

<u>Freshwater pond</u>: aquatic, insect, larvae, algae, shallow

Third grade

<u>General</u>: ecosystem, producers, consumers, decomposers, population, hibernate, migrate, adaptation, nutrients, fossil, climate, temperature, environment
<u>Beach</u>: marine, fossil (sharks teeth), invertebrate, filter feed
<u>Maritime forest</u>: maritime, terrestrial, salt spray, coastal, diurnal, crepuscular
<u>Salt marsh</u>: buffer, filter, storm surge, brackish, hydrometer
<u>Freshwater pond</u>: aquatic, algae, metamorphosis

Fourth grade

<u>General</u>: energy, niche, diversity, adaptation, species, heterotroph, autotroph, climate
<u>Beach</u>: crustacean, mollusk, bivalve, filter feed
<u>Maritime forest</u>: salt tolerant (plants), maritime, storm buffer, salt pruning
<u>Salt marsh</u>: plankton, storm surge, buffer, hydrometer
<u>Freshwater pond</u>: algae bloom, rookery, metamorphosis

Fifth grade

<u>General</u>: estuary, species, abiotic, biotic, niche
<u>Beach</u>: mollusk, bivalve, gastropod, tidal range, intertidal zone, subtidal zone, supratidal zone, polychaete
<u>Maritime forest</u>: fungi, decomposers, bacteria, salt pruning
<u>Salt marsh</u>: buffer zone, plankton, tidal range
<u>Freshwater pond</u>: rookery

Sixth grade

<u>General</u>: mutualism, commensalism, parasitism
<u>Beach</u>: tidal range, intertidal zone, subtidal zone, supratidal zone
<u>Maritime forest</u>: evergreen, deciduous, coniferous
<u>Salt marsh</u>: migration, osmosis, plankton, tidal range
<u>Freshwater pond</u>: bacteria

Seventh grade

<u>General</u>: biomass, niche, keystone species
<u>Beach</u>: contaminants, intertidal zone, subtidal zone, supratidal zone

<u>Maritime forest</u>: evergreen, deciduous, coniferous
<u>Salt marsh</u>: osmosis
<u>Freshwater pond</u>: bacteria