

Underwater Earth Systems Vocabulary Match

Grade 5

Science

Vocabulary Match

Underwater Theme

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Explore the ocean floor and discover Earth's hidden underwater systems.

Write the letter of the correct definition in the box next to each word.

CURRENT

SEDIMENT

TRENCH

EROSION

PLATE

RIDGE

PRESSURE

SALINITY

DEFINITIONS

- A** An underwater mountain range where new ocean floor forms.
- B** A large section of Earth's crust that moves slowly.
- C** Tiny pieces of rock and soil that settle on ocean floors.
- D** The force created by the weight of water above.
- E** The wearing away of rocks and soil by water or wind.
- F** The amount of salt dissolved in ocean water.
- G** A very deep, narrow valley on the ocean bottom.
- H** A continuous flow of water moving in one direction.

BONUS CHALLENGE

Choose 3 words and write a sentence using each one.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

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TEACHER / PARENT USE ONLY — Correct letters shown in circles

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