

Science Chapter 12 Notes

1. The continental slope is the part of the ocean floor that drops steeply.
2. A headland is a point of land formed when soft rock wears away.
3. A measure of the amount of salt in water is salinity.
4. A wall-like structure that sticks out into the ocean is a jetty.
5. A temporary pool of ocean water is called a tide pool.
6. An Abyssal plain is the large, flat area on the bottom of the ocean.
7. The shore is the area where the ocean and the land interact.
8. A current is a stream of water that flows like a river through the ocean.
9. Wind blowing over the surface of the water causes waves to form.
10. In a wave, water moves in a circle.
11. As you go deeper into the ocean, temperature decreases and pressure increases.
12. An estuary is different from other ocean environments because fresh water and salt water mix there.
13. Beach restoration does not cause permanent changes to a beach.