Rocky Shore Habitat

Powerful waves crash in the rocky shore, but animals have ways to survive in the surging water.

Have students point out and name animals in the Rocky Shore exhibit that hold on to rocks (or walls) to avoid being washed away by the waves.



Write the names of animals that hold on below.

Ask students to point out and name some rocky shore animals that go with the flow of the waves.

Write the names of animals that go with the flow of the waves below.



LISTEN together to the sound of the waves crashing in the tunnel. Compare the sound of the wave crashing overhead to the sound of the waves outside on the deck.

What can you SMELL when you are on the outside decks?



Self-Guided Observation Guide Grades K to 2

Habitat Comparisons

This guide is written for chaperones exploring the Aquarium with young students

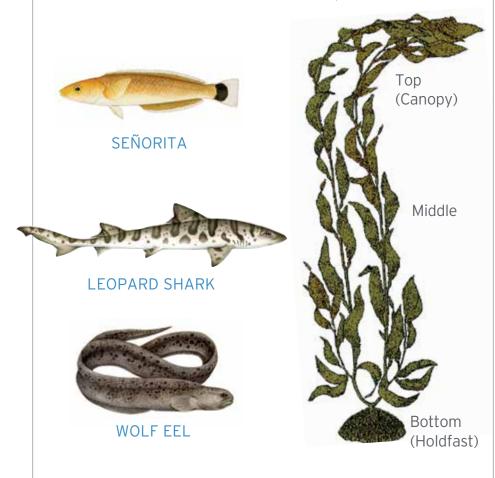


Within the ocean there are many smaller habitats, or homes, for animals. Use this guide to encourage students to observe the animals and habitats in exhibits and engage in conversations based on those observations.

Kelp Forest Habitat

The layers of the kelp forest are great places for creatures to hide.

Have students look on both floors of the Kelp Forest exhibit then tell you where they see each animal pictured below. Draw a line to its location in the kelp forest



TOUCH the animals in the Touch Pool on the upper level of the Kelp Forest exhibit. Be sure that students touch animals gently and leave the animals in the water.

Coral Reef Kingdom

The coral reef is a colorful and crowded habitat. How many different colors can students find in this exhibit?



LOOK for colors! Have students tell you the number of animals they see in the Coral Reef exhibit with the colors below on their body.

Record their color count below using tally marks.

White	Black
Yellow	Green
Pink	Orange
Blue	Red