



- reading comprehension

Read the passage.

## The Seashore

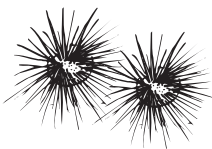
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**A. Name the sea creatures.**



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**B. Name the ocean life mentioned in the passage.**

**Ocean Life**

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**C. Answer the questions.**

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4. What are tide pools?

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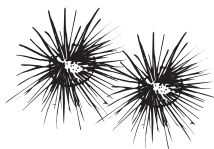
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| • <u>sea anemones</u> | • <u>octopus</u>  |

**C. Answer the questions.**

1. How often do the ocean waves flow out to the sea?

They flow out to the sea twice a day.

2. Where can starfish be found?

They can be found clinging to the shady side of the rocks.

3. Where can sea urchins be found?

They can be found beneath the rocks.

4. What are tide pools?

They are pools of sea water.