



# Seashore Explorer



This person may think that they are alone on the beach, but in fact there are living creatures all around them. They have chosen places where they are difficult to spot, and where they are least likely to be disturbed by people or other animals. Look and see if you can find signs of life.

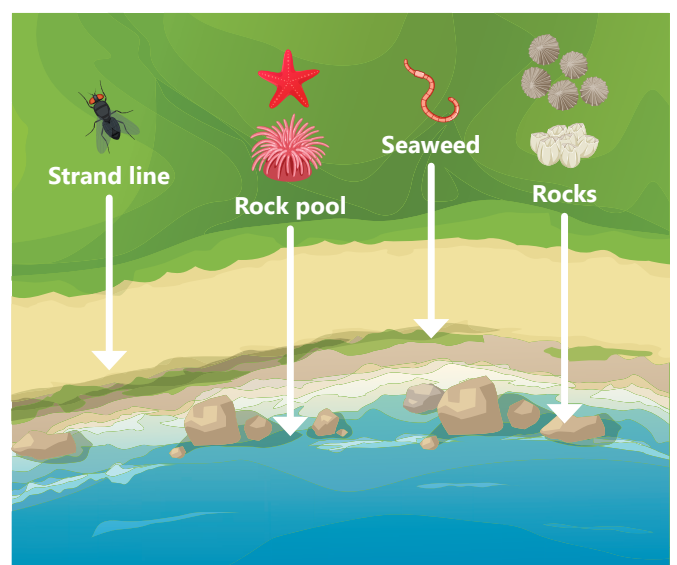
The kinds of animals and plants you find on the seashore depends very much on the kind of beach you are exploring. This beach is rocky, with rock pools and lots of places for wildlife to hide, and a good place to look.

## Safety first!

If you move rocks to look under them, make sure you put them back in the right place. Put shells back where you find them, and don't pull up plants.

## Spot these!

- a. **Strand line** - above or on the high water level, you will see a line of dead seaweed and rubbish thrown up by the sea onto the beach. Look here for sandhoppers, beetles, flies and the things that feed on these insects.
- b. **Seaweed** - worm tubes on saw wrack, animals sheltering underneath.
- c. **Rock pool** - anemones, crabs, starfish.
- d. **Rocks** - barnacles, limpets, periwinkles.



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There's lots to spot on the beach and in the rock pools - see if you can find:

**In a rock pool**



**Sea Anemone**



**Shore crab**



**Common Goby**

**On the sand**



**Lugworm**



**Sea glass**



**Sand hoppers**

**Under a rock**



**Barnacles**



**Periwinkles**



**Hermit crab**