

COASTAL HABITATS OF LONG ISLAND SOUND

ANSWER KEY

During the virtual field trip, you learned about three coastal habitats of Long Island Sound. *Label the habitats pictured below and give specific examples of how the animals of Long Island Sound use them.*

<p>Habitat Name:</p> <p><u>Salt marsh</u></p> 	<p>What animals would you find in this habitat and how do they use this habitat?</p> <p>Reasons include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nursery habitat, fish and other animals live in between the blades of grass• Shorebirds use the salt marsh for nesting and feeding
<p>Habitat Name:</p> <p><u>Rocky intertidal zone</u></p> 	<p>What animals would you find in this habitat and how do they use this habitat?</p> <p>Reasons include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rocks provide habitat for animals when the tide goes out• Rocks also provide spaces for animals to attach to and grow• Sediment is soft and allows animals to burrow into it and stay wet
<p>Habitat Name:</p> <p><u>Sandy beach</u></p> 	<p>What animals would you find in this habitat and how do they use this habitat?</p> <p>Reasons include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breeding ground for animals like turtles and horseshoe crabs• Water can move down into sand allowing animals to live under the sand and stay wet