

Whale Watching Post-Trip Activity

Adaptations and marine ecology have been the main objectives and topics of your whale watching presentation and trip. To follow up on some of the things you have learned answer the following questions about marine ecology and marine mammals.

In your own words complete the definitions of the following ecology terms:

- Food Web-
- Ecosystem-
- Biome-
- Niche-
- Population-
- Species-

What is an adaptation and what will happen if an animal can not adapt to the environment it lives in?

Pick an animal that you observed while on your whale watch excursion. Explain 3 adaptations that this animal has for surviving in the ocean.

Optional activities:

- Create a poster/ multimedia presentation about a marine mammal and the characteristics that help them to survive in their environment.
- Write a paper about how you adapt in your own environment and what you would do to survive if your environment was impacted with a change.