

# My Ocean Science Journal

Grades 6 - 8

Weekly Writing Prompt #6

## Ocean Literacy Principle #5

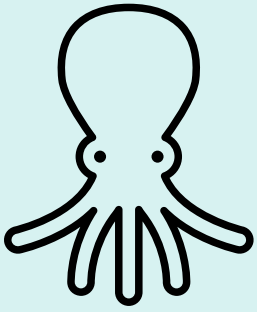
**The ocean supports a great diversity of life and ecosystems.**



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## Science Facts

Estuaries provide important and productive nursery areas for many marine and aquatic species.



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#### Try This

Salt marshes are one of the most productive ecosystems on the planet, meaning that they are very good at using the energy from the sun to make energy (food) for living things on Earth. Do you think a very productive habitat would have more or less living things than a habitat that is not very productive? Explain your reasoning.