

Unit 6A The Nature of Waves

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Note-Taking Guide

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Main Ideas, Key Points, Questions:

After watching the video segment, write down key points, main ideas, and big questions.

Objective(s):

- Determine the wavelength, amplitude, period, and frequency of waves from graphs and/or data.
- Recognize the characteristics of a wave that allow it to be classified as mechanical or electromagnetic, and as longitudinal or transverse.
- Relate wave motion to the simple harmonic motion of a pendulum and a spring.

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During the video segment, use words, phrases, or drawings to take notes.

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After watching the video segment, write at least three sentences explaining what you learned. You may ask yourself: "If I was going to explain this to someone else, what would I say?"



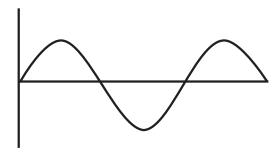
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Answer the following.

1. Label one wavelength on the diagram below:



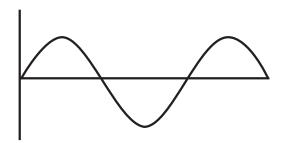
2. How is the frequency of a wave determined?

3. What is the period of a wave?

4. How are the frequency and period of a wave related to each other?

5. The period of oscillation of a pendulum depends upon which two variables?

6. Label the amplitude of the wave on the diagram below:





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| 7. | What does a mechanical wave require in order to transfer energy? |
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| 8. | Which type of wave does not require a medium through which to travel? |
| 9. | The speed of mechanical waves depend upon the through which they travel. |
| 10. | How does the direction of vibration of a longitudinal wave compare to its direction of motion? |
| 11. | How do the direction of vibration and the direction of motion of a transverse wave compare? |
| 12. | What quantity relates to the stiffness of a spring? |
| 13. | How is the force required to stretch a spring related to the spring constant and the distance the spring is stretched? |
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14. What is the equation for the potential energy stored in a spring when it is stretched or compressed?