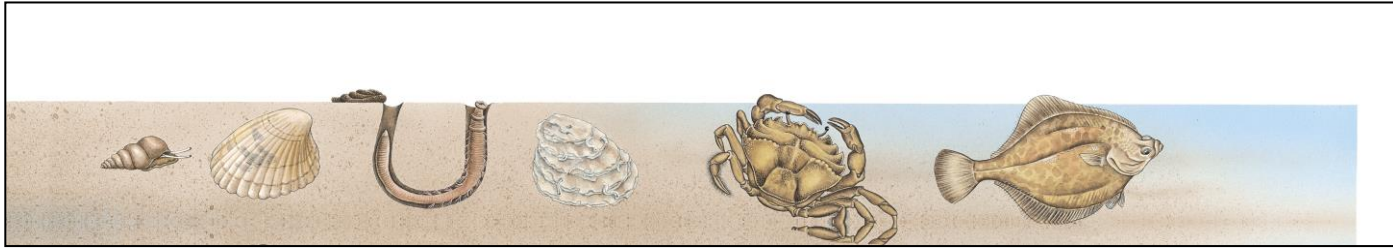


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When rivers meet the sea, the land is turned into a delta (see this week's topic worksheet for more information). This part of the river is called an estuary. Water in an estuary is a mix of clearwater from the river, and saltwater from the sea. What do you think that might mean for wildlife?



Mudflats at estuaries are full of creatures like worms and shellfish.



Because of this, they are a rich source of food for birds who like to come and feed on them.



Here are some different birds which feed on the mudflats.



What do you notice about their beaks and their legs?

Why do you think they are shaped like that?

Estuary Quiz

Which picture shows an estuary?



B.



C.



D.



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Which of these birds would you not expect to find on a mudflat? Why not?



O.



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