Principle 7: Grades K-2

The ocean is largely unexplored.

Life on Earth Depends on the Ocean

A. All living things depend on resources from the ocean, such as oxygen, food, water, energy, etc.

A.1. Ocean resources are limited. People need to learn about these resources through exploration and scientific investigation.

See Principle 6: C8

People Explore the Ocean

B. People have always been interested in the ocean. People explore the ocean to answer questions they have about it.

B.1. People are still discovering new things about the ocean all the time.

B.2. Ocean exploration helps us understand the health of the ocean and find new medicines, food for humans, and new sources of energy (e.g., oil, gas and wind).

See Principle 6: A4

B.3. People explore the ocean through many different hobbies and careers: scientists, fishers, engineers, surfers, swimmers, photographers, filmmakers, artists and explorers all spend time exploring the ocean.

B.4. People use creativity, curiosity, tools and technology to make better observations of the ocean.