Living Blue – Marine Reserves   
Understanding how local marine life exists and interacts.



**Acrostic Word Suggestion**

Choose from one of the words below to write on the board

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| BIODIVERSITY | The variety of living things |
| CONSERVATION | The protection and preservation of animals, plants and the natural environment |
| CRUSTACEAN | An animal with hard external skeleton & jointed legs - eg crayfish |
| ECOSYSTEM | A community of plants and animals that live together in the same place |
| EXOSKELETON | An external skeleton that supports and protects the animals soft body, the shell of crabs, lobster and crayfish are exoskeletons |
| INTERTIDAL | Intertidal - the area of beach that is exposed at low tide, and covered up at high tide. |
| INVERTEBRATE | A group of animals that have no backbone, an animal without a spine in it’s body. Includes: Insects, Crustaceans, Molluscs |
| PHOTOSYNTHESIS | Plants and seaweeds make food from sunlight through this process |
| PLANKTON | A group of all sorts of tiny marine plants and animals that drift in the ocean currents, there are millions and millions of them. |
| TAXONOMY | A scientific term for the naming and classifying of all living things into groups of species that  are similar. |
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Teachers Notes

Any marine related word or name can be used.

For suggestions of answers please check the vocab sheet and / or the definitions sheet in this pack.

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