

Coastal systems estuarine & shoreline successions 3.1.3.3

Q1	<i>True or False?</i>	
A	A sand dune ecosystem receives but does not lose sand	
B	A plant succession means that as you travel along an estuary the plants change	
C	A saltmarsh involves plants that can tolerate saline conditions	
D	Embryo dunes are backed by yellow dunes, which turn into grey dunes in time	
E	A dune slack is where tourists have worn the vegetation away	

Q2	Match each term to the correct description	
A	An intervening stage of characteristic plants on the way to a full succession	
B	A plant succession developing in salt water conditions	
C	Final stage of a fully mature succession matched to prevailing conditions	
D	A plant succession developing on unconsolidated sand leading to stability	
E	The plant community that develops where human activity intervenes	
<p>Psammosere climatic climax plagioclimax halosere seral community</p>		

Q3	Tick which is the odd one out from each group of 6 terms	
A	Grey dune	Embryo dune
	Mudflat	Yellow dune
	Dune slack	Upper beach zone
B	Halosere	Marine algae
	Estuary shore	Low saltmarsh
	Foredune	Intertidal zone
C	Climatic climax	Prisere
	Seral community	Salt-tolerant plants
	Plant succession	Secondary succession
D	Pine	Spartina
	Cordgrass	Marram
	Mobile dune	Alder

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Q4	Number the stages to put them in the right sequence of development (1 = first)	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Halosere</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">High saltmarsh</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Climax</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Submerged estuary shore</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mudflat</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Saltmarsh</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Psammosere</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Grey dune</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Embryo dune</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Foredune</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Heath & woodland</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yellow dune</p>

Q5	<i>Suggest what qualities the named variable requires for maximum development of the named sere</i>	
A	Wind – in the development of a psammosere	
B	Water – in the development of a halosere	