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Book 0 Chapter 1 The Energy of Waves

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1. **Wave**: a disturbance in a solid, liquid, or gas as energy is transmitted through a medium

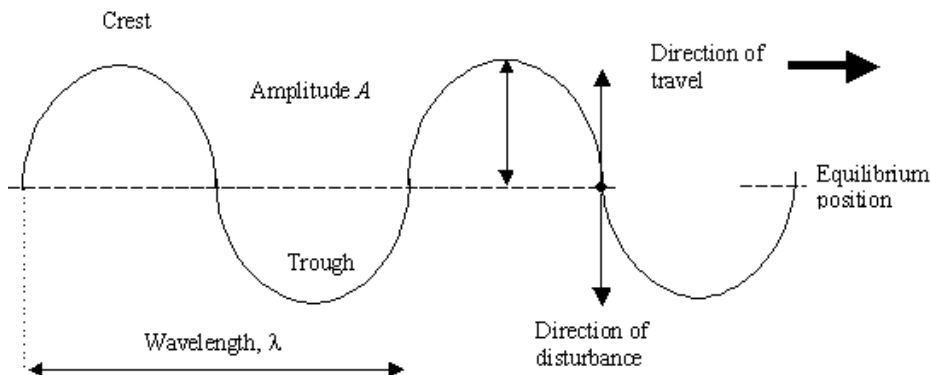
**the material through which the wave travels does NOT move with the energy

2. **Medium**: the substance through which a wave can travel, the physical environment in which phenomena can occur

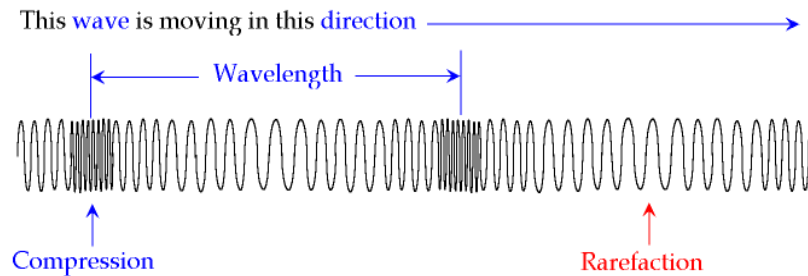
** waves that need a medium are called **mechanical waves** = sound waves

waves that do NOT need a medium are called **electromagnetic waves = light waves, x-rays, microwaves, TV and radio signals

3. **Transverse wave**: the particles of the medium move perpendicularly to the direction the wave is traveling



4. **Crest**: the highest point of a wave
5. **Trough**: the lowest point of the wave
6. **Longitudinal wave**: a wave in which the particles of the medium vibrate parallel to the direction of the wave motion
===== like a slinky



7. **Compression**: the part of a longitudinal wave where the particles are close together
8. **Rarefaction**: the part of a longitudinal wave where the particles are far apart
9. **Surface wave**: ocean waves are an example of surface waves; they are near the boundary between two media and are a transverse wave combined with a longitudinal wave. The particles move in circles rather than up and down! *(page 9)

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10. **Amplitude**: the maximum distance that the particles of a wave's medium vibrate from their rest position
**large amplitude = more energy in the wave
11. **Wavelength**: the distance from any point on a wave to an identical point on the next wave, crest to crest or trough to trough
** shorter wavelength = more energy in the wave λ
12. **Frequency**: the number of waves produced in a given amount of time, expressed in hertz (Hz)
** higher frequency = more energy in the wave

13. Wave speed: the speed at which a wave travels through a medium

13. (continued) ** wave equation tells you the relationship between

wavelength and frequency, and calculates wave speed $v = \lambda \times f$

v = wave speed λ = wavelength f = frequency

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14. Reflection: the bouncing back of a ray of light, sound, or heat when the ray hits a surface that it does not penetrate
**an echo is a reflected sound wave

15. Transmitting: to allow waves to pass through a substance or medium * (page 14)

16. Refraction: the bending of a wave as the wave passes from one medium to another at an angle, the wave speed changes when waves are refracted

16. Dispersed: when light is dispersed it is spread out into separate colors *(page 15)

18. Diffraction: a change in the direction of a wave when the wave finds an obstacle or an edge, such as an opening
** look at the example on p. 16

19. Interference: the combination of two or more waves that results in a single wave
constructive interference – when the crest and trough of one wave overlaps another wave = larger amplitude and more energy than the original wave

destructive interference – 2 waves with the same amplitude combine and cancel each other out, = no wave at all

20. Standing wave: a standing wave looks like it is not moving, but waves are actually going in both directions

21. Resonance: when 2 objects vibrate at the same frequency, the sound made by one object makes the other object vibrate also = resonates