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Pacific Vocabulary Answer Key

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| 1. tectonic plate | 6. current |
| 2. coastline | 7. marine |
| 3. equator | 8. trench |
| 4. biome | 9. habitat |
| 5. archipelago | 10. climate |

Teacher's Guide

Purpose: Build students' knowledge of important Pacific Ocean terms that connect to geography, oceanography, and Earth science.

Instructional Tips

- Review the word list aloud before starting to ensure students recognize each term.
- Encourage students to read definitions twice before choosing their answer.
- Have students work independently first, then discuss answers in pairs to build confidence.

Differentiation

- Provide simple example sentences for students who need extra support.
- Challenge advanced learners to write a short paragraph using at least three vocabulary words.
- For English language learners, offer visual cues for terms like **trench**, **archipelago**, and **equator**.

Engagement Ideas

- Begin with a quick warm up where students guess what each word might relate to in the Pacific Ocean.
- Use a world map to point out the equator, coastlines, and where tectonic plates meet.