

Chapter 15 Day 1

Section 1

SPI 0707.11.6 Differentiate between transverse and longitudinal waves in terms of how they are produced and transmitted.

What You Will Learn

- What a wave is
- How energy, waves, and matter are all related
- The difference between transverse and longitudinal waves

What Mastery Looks Like

38 Which statement best explains the difference between longitudinal and transverse waves?

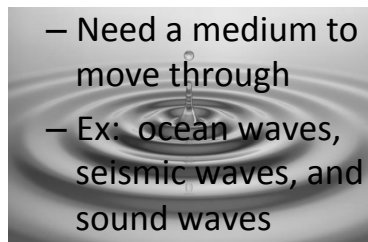
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- G** Longitudinal waves produce energy, while transverse waves consume energy.
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With Your Group...

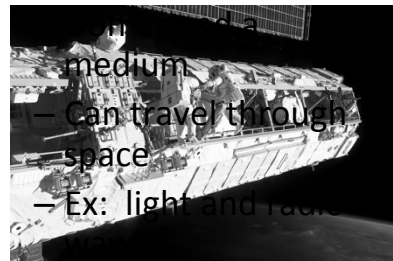
- Watch this clip...
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ufsrge0BYf0>
- Discuss how people at NASA (who are on Earth) are able to communicate with astronauts in space.
- How do astronauts in space communicate with each other?
- Write your group's best answer on a white board.

What is a wave?

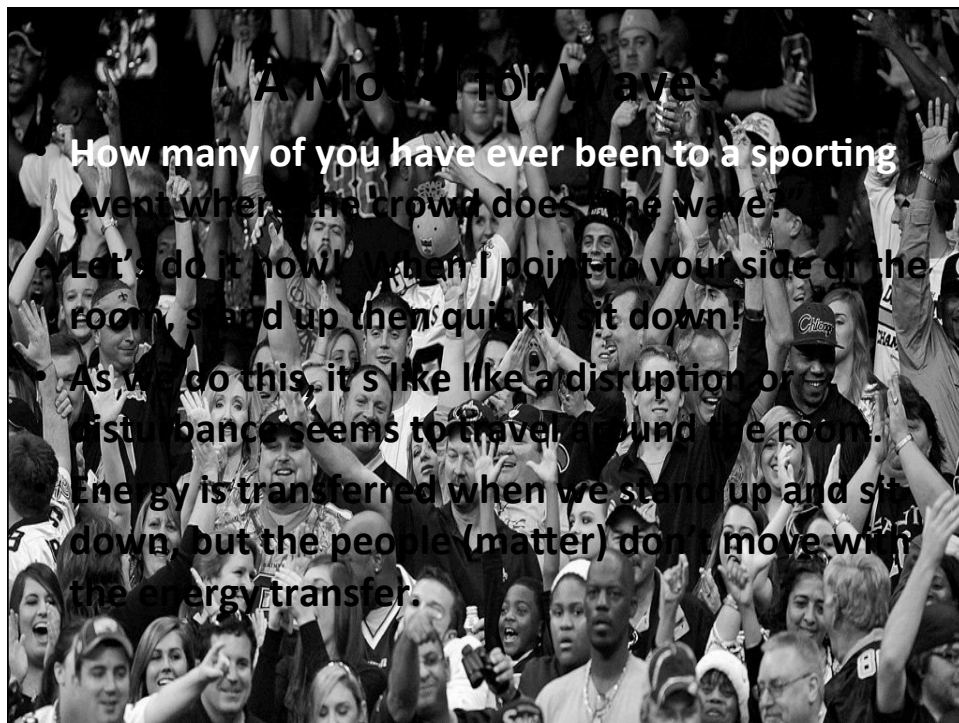
- Brain Pop
- All waves do the same basic things...
 - Transfer energy from one place to another.
 - They do this WITHOUT transferring matter.
- MECHANICAL
- ELECTROMAGNETIC



- Need a medium to move through
- Ex: ocean waves, seismic waves, and sound waves



- Can travel through space
- Ex: light and radio



Mechanical Waves

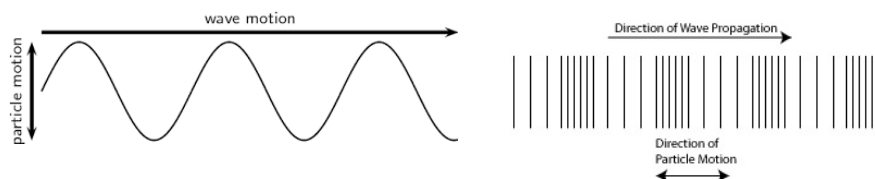
- Without the people in the stadium, could the wave exist?
- No, it couldn't. The people are the reason the energy can transfer.
- In a water wave, what transfers the energy?
- Water molecules work just like the people in a stadium.
- When waves can ONLY travel through matter, they are considered mechanical waves.
- Mechanical waves are produced by something that is vibrating. That's a repeating back and forth motion.

What are some things you can name that vibrate?

Categories of Waves

- **TRANSVERSE**
 - Ex: ocean waves and most electromagnetic waves
 - Suppose that a slinky is stretched out in a horizontal line on a desk. If you shake it up and down and that a pulse is introduced into the slinky on the left end by moving the first coil up and down. Energy will begin to be transported along the slinky from left to right.
- **LONGITUDINAL aka COMPRESSIONAL**
 - Ex: sound waves (not the same as radio waves)
 - A sound wave traveling through air is a classic example of a longitudinal wave.
 - As a sound wave moves from the lips of a speaker to the ear of a listener, particles of air vibrate back and forth in the same direction and the opposite direction of energy transport. Each individual particle pushes on its neighboring particle so as to push it forward.

With your group, use the slinkies to demonstrate both transverse and compressional waves.



Exit Ticket

Answer the question and explain why your answer is correct.

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