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If you were to drop a rock in water you would make *waves*. You know that the waves move away from where you dropped the rock (linear motion), but when the waves pass, the water moves up and down (harmonic motion).

Restoring force: To be harmonic motion, the waves have to have a restoring force. In water waves it is the water molecules. The water is compressed and expanded to cause the up and down (oscillating) motion. All waves do this with molecules they travel through.

Waves combine harmonic motion and linear motion.

Ocean waves travel: this is Linear Motion



Ocean waves oscillate (move up and down): this is Harmonic Motion

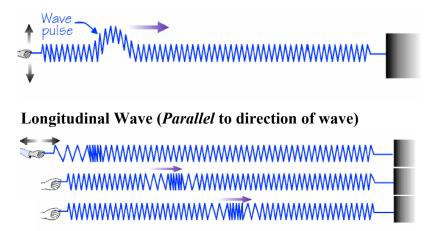
Waves can go through things: waves go through water; light waves can go through your skin; sound waves can goes through walls. If it can go through something, it is a wave.

Two Types of Waves

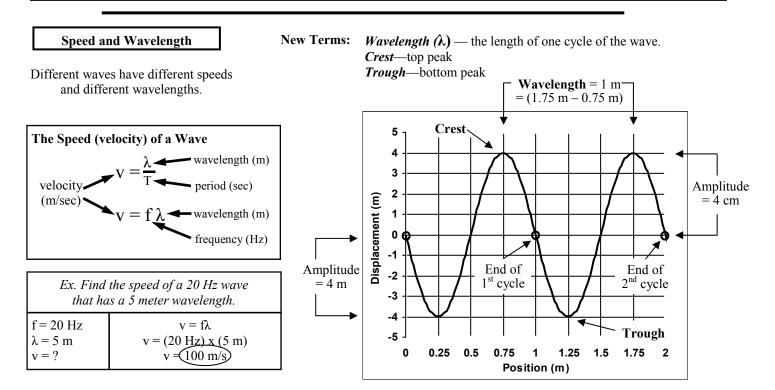
Transverse waves (slinky moving side to side or up and down) – moves perpendicular to the direction of the wave. Ocean waves are transverse waves, moving forward, but the oscillating up and down.

Longitudinal waves (also called *compression waves* – a slinky pushed and pulled) – moves parallel (same direction) to the wave motion. Sound waves are longitudinal waves – the sound moves forward and the oscillations move back and forth.

Transverse Wave (Perpendicular to direction of wave)



Earthquakes are made up of both transverse and longitudinal waves. The transverse waves do the most damage.



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