

HOW TO STUDY YOUR LOCAL WETLAND:1 ESTUARIES

ESTUARIES ARE PLACES WHERE A RIVER MEETS THE SEA....

WHERE THE WATER IS A MIXTURE OF FRESH-WATER AND SALT WATER...
[KNOWN AS BRACKISH WATER]...

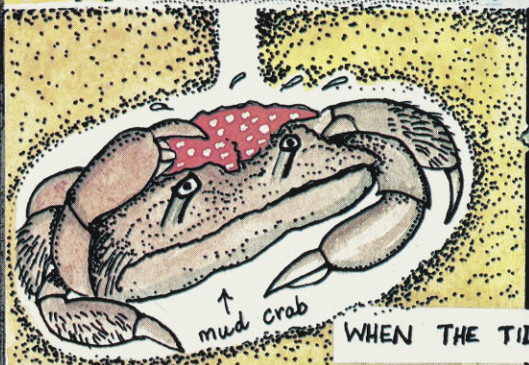
... THEY ARE PLACES WHERE PEOPLE SETTLE...



THE NUMEROUS PLANTS & ANIMALS WHICH LIVE IN ESTUARIES CAN WITHSTAND:
EXTREME HEAT...

DRYING...

DIFFERING SALT CONCENTRATIONS



mud crab



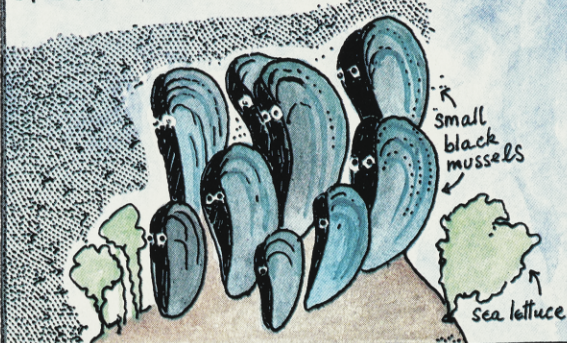
WHEN THE TIDE IS OUT...



... WHEN THE TIDE COMES IN

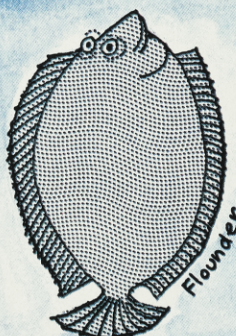
ESTUARIES ARE RICH IN FOOD BROUGHT BY SEDIMENTS...

MANY ANIMALS LIVE IN ESTUARIES...

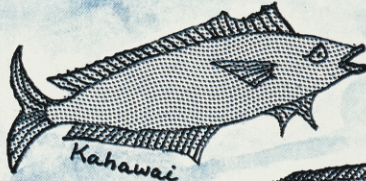


small black mussels

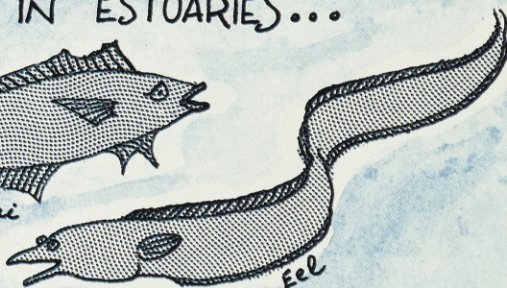
sea lettuce



Flounder



Kahawai



Eel



'whitebait'



mud snail

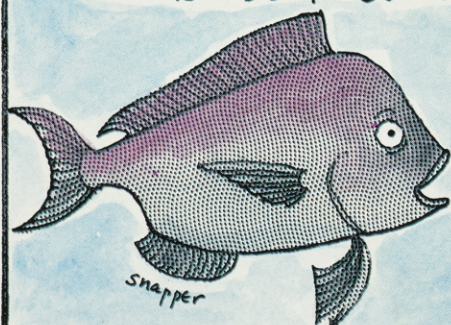
Some people never learn...

WHAT DO THEY KNOW THAT I DON'T?

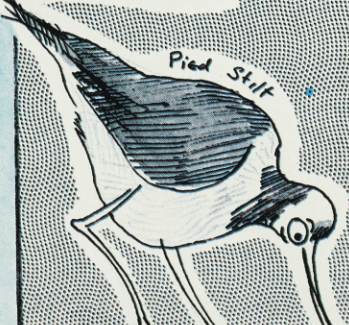


... OTHERS REGULARLY MIGRATE THROUGH ESTUARIES ...

OTHERS JUST GO THERE TO FEED...



snapper



Pied Stilt

KEEP A WATCHFULL EYE ON YOUR LOCAL ESTUARY



Bell.