

**ANSWERS**

<b>Curriculum Areas:</b> Science <b>Level 3 &amp; 4</b> Social Science <b>Level 3</b>	<b>Strands:</b> Living World Place and Environment	<b>Background Page:</b> Importance of Wetlands
<b>Achievement Aims:</b>	<u>Ecology - Level 3-4:</u> <i>Explain how living things are suited to their particular habitat and how they respond to environmental changes, both natural and human-induced.</i>  <u>Place and Environment - Level 3:</u> <i>Understand how people view and use places differently.</i>	

Draw an arrow to match the benefits of wetlands listed on the left, with its correct description on the right.

Benefits	Benefit Description
Flood Control	Dense vegetation reduces sediment flow.
Water Quality	People like to visit wetlands and learn about the diverse range of plants and animals that inhabit them.
Sediment Removal	Many New Zealand wetland plants and animals are endemic.
Recreation	Many fish and bird species rely on wetlands for their survival.
Tourism and Education	Wetlands are able to absorb a lot of water.
Exceptional Plant Habitats	Wetlands help clean water before it flows downstream.
Animal Survival	You can go fishing, hunting, walking, swimming, whitebaiting, boating and bird-watching at wetlands.
Unique Biodiversity	A variety of flora relies on wetlands.