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THE OCEANS IN THE WORLD

LEARNER WORKSHEET 3: MULTILINGUAL OCEAN!



Look at the translations of the world ocean in a few different languages and try to answer these questions

Language	The word ocean
German	ozean
French	océan
Italian	oceano
Russian	океан
Danish	ocean
Dutch	oceaan
Spanish	océano
Portuguese	oceano
Swedish	ocean

Then discuss them with the whole class (use the language you know best/ your classmates and teacher will help you if necessary)

What do you notice?	
Can you guess why?	

Can you write the word ocean in any other language(s)? If so, add it to the list above.

Answer sheet (learner worksheet 3): multilingual ocean

The word ocean looks the same in many languages because it comes from the ancient Greek word $\Omega \kappa \epsilon \alpha v \delta \varsigma$, *Okeanos* (Oceanus). **Oceanus** was believed to be the <u>world-ocean</u> in <u>classical antiquity</u>, which the <u>ancient Romans</u> and <u>Greeks</u> considered to be an enormous <u>river</u> encircling the world. This world-ocean was personified as a <u>Titan</u>, a son of <u>Uranus</u> (the Sky) and <u>Gaia</u> (the Earth).