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- Q1. Why are tides important to us?
- Ans. Tides important to us because:
 - i. High tides help in navigation.
 - ii. They raise the water level close to the shores. This helps the ships to arrive at the harbour more easily.
 - iii. The high tides also help in fishing. Many more fish come closer to the shore during the high tide. This enables fishermen to get a plentiful catch.
 - iv. The rise and fall of water due to tides is being used to generate electricity in some places.
- Q2. Three-fourth of the earth surface is covered by water. Give the distribution of water in percentage?
- Ans. The following table gives the distribution of water in percentage.

Oceans 97.3 Saline Water Ice-caps 02.0 Ground water 0.68 Fresh water lakes: 0.009 Inland seas and Fresh Water 0.009 salt lakes Atmosphere 0.0019 Rivers 0.0001 100.00