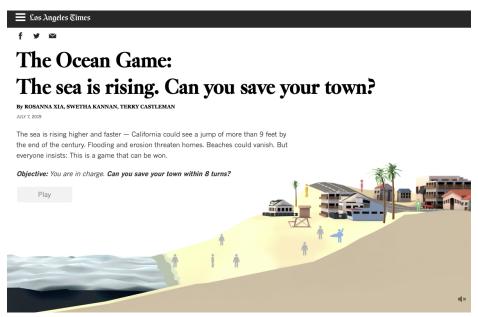
## **Course**: Climate Change and Social Action Sea Level Rise Activity, Week 3



# What would you do to save your city from sea level rise?

**Purpose of the Activity**: This week, we will learn about climate change adaptation using the real-life example of sea level rise, which is impacting many coastal cities. You will act as city managers and try to save your city from sea level rise using an interactive, online game created by the Los Angeles Times newspaper.

#### **Learning Outcomes:**

Course Learning Outcome: Students will be able to formulate climate adaptation and mitigation strategies for a region of their choice.

Lesson Learning Outcome:

- <u>Learning outcome 1</u>: Role play as city managers to simulate adaptation strategies around sea level rise
- <u>Learning outcome 2</u>: Articulate the challenges and hard choices around climate change mitigation

**Required Materials**: Everything for this activity is online. I have a brief lecture on our Canvas page. You can choose to either read or listen to a background reading/podcast. You will need to play the <u>LA Times Ocean Game - online here</u> (This game has worked for me on Safari, Firefox and Chrome browsers.)

#### Instructions:

- 1. Watch the weekly lecture
- 2. Background Reading:
  - a. Read this Los Angeles Times article about sea level rise OR
  - b. Listen to *This American Life* podcast about sea level rise in California
- 3. Play The Ocean game from the LA Times.
  - a. Your goal is to save your town from sea level rise in 8 turns.
- 4. Fill in the discussion prompts on the class Padlet by Friday of Week 3
  - a. Did you save your town?
  - b. How much money did you spend?
  - c. What would you do differently in the future?
- 5. Reflect on the Class Discussion Board by Friday of Week 3
  - a. Reflect on your experience playing the game and how it was similar or different to your peers' experiences from the Padlet?
  - b. What do you think coastal communities can do to adapt to sea level rise? What are the best strategies, and will there be resistance to these choices?
  - c. Response should be around 250 words.
- 6. Respond to at least two other students' discussion posts by Sunday of Week 3. Your response should be at least 100 words and include a clarifying question.

### **Assessment Rubric:**

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Incomplete
Padlet Discussion	Answer all 3	Answer 2 of 3 (4	Answer 1 of 3 (2	Not completed
Prompts	prompts (5 pts)	pts)	points)	(0 pts)
Discussion Board	Answers all	Addresses most	Does not	Not completed
Reflection	prompts, ~250	of the prompt,	adequately	(0 pts)
	words (5 pts)	close to	address prompts	
		expected length	or is too short (2	
		(4 pts)	pts)	
Discussion Board	Two responses,	One response,		Incomplete (0
Response	~100 words (5	~100 words (4		pts)
	pts)	pts)		
			TOTAL	15 points