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(b) The pairs of points that are in phase are A and E (one wavelength apart), and B and F (one wavelength apart).

2. In transverse waves, wavelength is the distance between two similar points in successive identical cycles in a wave. In transverse waves, amplitude is the maximum displacement of a vibrating particle in a wave. In longitudinal waves, amplitude is the maximum pressure created and the same definition of wavelength applies.

3. Frequency is the number of times the wave repeats itself in a given time frame, whereas the wave speed is the measure of how far the wave travels per second.4.



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6. Yes, those motions were examples of simple harmonic motion because they were continuous motions with constant amplitude, period, and frequency.